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NATIONAL COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Dear Comrades:

As the new National Commander of YDVA., I wish to express my deep gratitude and appreciation to all the comrades for electing me to this office and to those who supported my worthy contender, Clarence Anderson, for offering their full cooperation during my term of office. This is surely true Y.D. spirit and the thing that makes us the kind of organization we are.

It may seem like an old story, but still it is true, as we so vividly pointed out in the report of our good Treasurer, Al Pacifici; that our assured income from membership, which is the only assured income we have, as against our fixed cost of operating including the publishing of "Yankee Doings", shows a net loss. It is only by other methods of raising money that we have been able to come out in the black. It is, therefore, absolutely necessary that every effort be made to increase this membership which automatically will increase our assured income.

With each of you Vice Department Commanders lies the responsibility of membership. This is a duty you assumed in accepting your office. Too many times have we all heard reports just giving the number of members to date, but no report as to what action has been or is being taken to "up" this membership. Ed Kane, the chairman of Membership Committee will outline a constructive plan for you to follow and I feel sure that if you will give him your full cooperation, we will go places this coming year.

The Boston Chapter is to be congratulated on the wonderful convention they gave us and those of you who did not attend really missed something. The races, the clambake, the ball, the housing facilities, the parade; all, were perfect. The only gripes were from those who did not arrive until Friday night or Saturday and were sorry that they had not come sooner when they heard what a wonderful time we all had been having.

I was especially pleased with the turn-out of World War II boys, all of whom seemed to have had a good time. They realize now more than ever that we want them to become more active in YDVA. With the enthusiasm shown by them at the convention and from talks with some of these men, I have been assured they will do their utmost to get more World War II men into their chapters.

No promises were made by me before my election and I will make none now other than to say that I am fully aware of the responsibility of the office and will give it my best efforts, so that at the end of my term you can honestly say, "Well done, thou good and faithful son of Y.D."

Yours in Comradeship,

James F. B. Meikle,
National Commander, YDVA

REPORT OF THE CONVENTION

Thursday, June 17, 1954

After weeks of preparation and hard work by the Convention Committee with every detail checked and rechecked the opening day arrived. Several members from Detroit, Oregon, New York and other places had checked in previous to the opening.

Registration booths opened at noon with many who arrived early waiting for the booths to open for their advance registration and reservations. They kept coming in all the afternoon and at the time of the first meeting, at 5:00 P. M. at the Sheraton Plaza, which opened the Convention officially, there was a good attendance. This meeting had to be rushed through, since busses were waiting for the trip to Raynham Park. A bus was loaded quickly and other members went over the road in their cars. Reports of the trip were very satisfactory and all those who took advantage of the hospitality of Russ Murray that evening came back with glowing reports of the evening. A special room in the Clubhouse, with plenty of eats and drinks, all free, and a wonderful ride through the country made for an excellent start for the four days of the Convention.

For those who did not take in this event there was an abundance of talent at the YD Club Lounge with two floor shows at 10:00 P. M. and Midnight. The first day ended with those in attendance voting it a perfect start.

At 1:15 National Commander O'Connor and National Secretary Watts were on WNAC-TV for a 15 minute interview on the Convention.

Friday Morning, June 18, 1954

Mayor John B. Hynes tendered a breakfast at 9:00 A. M. at the Sheraton Plaza Hotel for National Officers of the YDVA and the Convention Committee and several other guests.

Mayor Hynes acted as Toastmaster. The guests at the head table were: National Commander, Michael P. O'Connor; President of the Convention Corporation, Anthony J. Rock; General Chairman of the Convention Corporation, Edward J. Kane; Commander of the YD Memorial Club, George F. Johnson; National Secretary, H. Guy Watts; Past National Commnder, James H. Sullivan; Past Chapter Commanders, Richard P. Sullivan and William Connors.

Other guests at the head table were Jack Brown, City Greeter; Thomas J. Carty, Captain of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company; Joseph White, City Counillor; Jack Beesley, Assistant Director of Public Celebrations; and about seventy-five YD Members.

The Second Regular Meeting of the Convention was held in the State Suite of the Sheraton Plaza Hotel and opened at 10:00 A. M. The business was completed at noon and the meeting recessed until 10:00 A. M. Saturday, to be held in the foyer of the hotel.

At 2:00 P. M. busses started shuttling from the hotel and the YD Club of Boston to Castle Island where the Clam Bake was held. The Clam Bake was second to none at any Convention the YD has ever held. There were seconds and thirds of everything from lobster to watermelon. There were nothing but good reports from those returning from the Bake. It was over in plenty of time for everyone to return to his hotel and prepare for the Military Ball, which was to be held in the Main Ballroom of the Sheraton Plaza Hotel. Ken Reeves Orchestra supplied the music for the Ball and there were about five hundred in the Grand March. It was a wonderful affair and almost 100% of the men were in uniform.

Saturday, June 19, 1954

Registration Booths at the Hotel and at the Boston Club House opened early for those who had not registered. The final meeting of the Convention having recessed from Friday, June 18th, opened in the foyer of the Hotel at 10:00 A. M. (Minutes of this meeting will be found on another page.)

At 1:00 P. M. Governor Christian A. Herter tendered a Past Commanders' Luncheon at the Hotel Touraine. Brig. General William J. Keville acted as Toastmaster in the absence of Governor Herter. At the head table were Lt. Col. Willard S. Paul; Brig. General William J. Blake; Brig. General Ralph A. Palladino; Major General Edward D. Sirois; Anthony J. Rock, President of the Convention Corporation; Thomas J. Carty, Captain of the Ancient & Honorable Artillery; Father Francis X. Bransfield, National Chaplain of the YDVA; and about seventy-five members. Following the luncheon all who attended went to the State House to participate in the rededication of the 104th Mural Painting. (Article on this is in this issue).

At 6:00 P. M. Regimental Dinners were held by the 101st and the 104th Infantry at the Copley Square Hotel. The 328th met in the Sheraton Plaza Hotel. E & F Company, 101st Engineers, were at the Lobster Claw Restaurant. Other outfits met at various other hotels during the evening.

Sunday, June 20th, 1954

After much preparation during the morning, the Loyalty Day Parade started on time at 2:00 P. M. There were six thousand men of the Active Yankee 26th Division participating in the parade, with units of the 181st of Worcester County and 104th Infantry from the western part of the state coming over the road to participate. There were outfits of the V.F.W., American Legion, DAV, AMVETS and various YD Chapters in the Veterans Division, with 25 Drum Corps and Bands. The Loyalty Day Parade ended on Charles Street and marched on to Boston Common for a Loyalty Day Memorial Service and a pledge of allegiance to the Flag. Mayor John B. Hynes acted as Master of Ceremonies. The speakers were Governor Christian A. Herter, General William Blake, George F. Johnson, Congressman Laurence Curtis, and Adj. General James M. Quinn, who represented the Governor of Connecticut.

MEETINGS OF THE 35th NATIONAL CONVENTION YANKEE DIVISION VETERANS ASSOCIATION, BOSTON, MASS.

Thursday, June 17, 1954

The first meeting of the 35th Annual Convention of the YD Veterans Association convened at the Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass., on Thursday, June 17, 1954.

The meeting opened at 5:25 P. M. with the National Commander, O'Connor presiding.

The membership rose and saluted the flag.

The membership stood at attention during taps.

Dr. Brown, in the absence of the National Chaplain read the prayer.

The call of the Convention read by the National Secretary.

Report of events given by General Chairman of the Convention Committee, Edward Kane.

A letter was read from the Rainbow Veterans Association expressing best wishes for a successful Convention and inviting all members of the 26th Division to attend their reunion in Boston on July 12th and 14th.

George F. Johnson, Commander of the YD Club of Boston, spoke briefly on what the Boston Chapter has been doing for the Convention and the YDVA.

Motion made and Seconded that the Association go on record as accepting the invitation of the Rainbow Division.

Secretary to write and accept invitation of Rainbow Veterans Association.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 P. M.

Friday, June 18, 1954

The meeting of the 35th Annual Convention of the YD Veterans Association met at the Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass., on Friday, June 18, 1954.

The meeting opened at 11:00 A. M. with a salute to the colors.

The prayer was offered by Father F. X. Bransfield, National Chaplain.

A moment of silence was observed and then taps were blown.

The President of the Convention Corporation Anthony Rock reported on the Parade. General Chairman, Edward Kane spoke on events for the day, which was the Monster Clam Bake and the Miltary Ball. Stated that the busses will leave the YD Club and the Hotel for transportation to the Bake.

No Unfinished Business.

National Commander O'Connor spoke about a visit to the Cathedral of the Pines on October 3, 1954.

Motion made by Anthony Rock, seconded by Howard Titus that we visit the Cathedral on the 3rd of October, 1954.

Under new business: no bid for the Convention.

National Commander thanked all members for attending the meeting.

Richard Barton, Supervisor of Blood Bank for Veterans Service Blood Program, was introduced by the National Commander and spoke on the Blood Donors Bank. He was then asked several questions and explained all questions.

Frank White spoke about the program and on Hospital patients. Hopes we will set up a program for YD paid-up members.

Streeter of Lynn spoke on Program.

Motion made by J. Sullivan, seconded by F. White that the YDVA endorse the Blood Program and go along with other Veterans Organizations.

Resolution Committee Meeting in Room 231, directly after this meeting.

Streeter spoke on Petition of Yankee Division. Hgwy. Station at Canton.

Dr. Brown, Ben Bourn, Ed Streeter and Jim Sullivan are the Credential Committee. George Demeter, Parlimentarian was introduced.

Jim Sullivan spoke to the membership about the Military Ball.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:00 Noon.

Saturday, June 19, 1954

The 35th Annual Convention of the YD Veterans Association was opened at the Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass., Saturday, June 19, 1954 at 10:45 A. M. by National Commander Michael O'Connor, which recessed from Friday, June 18, 1954.

The membership rose and saluted the colors.

The Sgt.-at-Arms Roy Reimer, escorted Honorary National Commander, Lt. General W. S. Paul, (Ret) to the platform.

The prayer was offered by Father Francis X. Bransfield, National Chaplain.

A moment of silence was observed for our departed comrades, and then taps were blown.

National Commander O'Connor asked for a report from the General Chairman of the Convention Corporation, Edward Kane. The General Chairman greeted the membership and expressed the wish that everyone was having a good time. He spoke about the re-dedication and unveiling of new WW-II inscription on Mural Painting of the Decoration of the 104th colors at the State House and urged all to attend. He also spoke about the Loyalty Day Parade and also urged full attendance. Regimental Reunions this evening.

Voted that the Secretary's minutes of the previous meeting be dispensed with.

A detailed Treasurer's Report submitted by National Treasurer, Albert M. Pacifici, showing a balance for the year in black, accepted as read, and placed on file.

National Secretary read messages received from Congressman John W. McCormack, John Dunlap, Past National Commander, Daniel Brunton, Mayor of Springfield and Rev. David Strickland, Company Chaplain.

YDVA, Fort Myers, Florida, sending their best wishes for a successful Convention.

The Sgt.-at-Arms brought in Jack Brown and escorted him to the platform. Mr. Brown is the Official Greeter of the City, representing Mayor Hynes. He addressed the membership and expressed sincere and warm greetings from the Mayor to all YD Men. He presented to the National Commander a brochure of the City of Boston from Mayor Hynes, which expressed his sincere congratulations and best wishes.

The Sgt.-at-Arms stated to the Commander that he had a Mr. John Barnstead to be escorted in. He then brought in John Barnstead who is the oldest Member of the Yankee Division, being 85 years old on June 8th. The Commander stated that he had a son in World War I with him in the same Company, Hdqrs. Company, 104th Infantry, who was killed at Chateau Thierry. After Mr. Barnstead was escorted out of the meeting, a rising vote of applause was given by the membership for comrade Barnstead who just left, because of a slight attack earlier the membership was asked not to applaud while he was present.

The National Commander gave a report on his year's work as Natonal Commander and expressed his gratitude to the membership and to the Executive Committee. He also stated he is proud of the treasurer's report and thanked him. He stated that the membership should be increased and expressed the wish that new members will be coming in from World War II. He stated that there will be a Memorial Service on October 3, 1954 at the Cathedral of the Pines, a National Shrine at Rindge, N. H., and a stone, which was part of the YD Memorial Chapel in Belleau, France, was brought back by PNC Bourget and will be dedicated on that day, and Commander O'Connor will make the arrangements.

A report of the Resolution Committee was made by PNC Albert Herman.

1. This committee recommends that the resolution from Los Angeles on absentee ballots be rejected, on the grounds that it conflicts with Article XIV, Section 3 and would require a constitutional amendment. This section stipulates that any member with 20 endorsements may present his name in writing to National Headquarters seven days in advance of the Convention, inasmuch as this resolution requires that the National Secretary mail the ballots to the Individual Chapter Secretaries, 30 days before the Convention—and they, in turn, must return these ballots at least 7 days before the Convention—it becomes a physical impossibility for the outlying chapter to know who is running for office—Recommendation of Committee Accepted.

2. RESOLVED that this Association is opposed to communistic activities as well as subversive movements of all kinds and offers to further, by word and deed, all activities directed towards keeping this a free country. RESOLUTION ACCEPTED.

Sgt.-at-Arms Reimer Escorted Henry Parkman, U. S. Commissioner to Germany to the Platform. Mr. Parkman spoke very briefly to the membership and wished them the best of good fortune.

3. RESOLVED that no action be taken at this Convention to have the present Constitution and By-laws printed in pamphlet form. Reasons being unwarranted expense since many changes in the By-laws seem advisable this year, and the By-laws Committee should be continued for additional work and report with the assistance of our National Judge Advocate. RESOLUTION ACCEPTED.

4. RESOLVED that this Association approves the action of the National Executive Committee in seeking to induce the New Haven Railroad to change the name of the new station at Canton Meadows from (Route 128) to "The Yankee Divison Highway Station", and that the National Commander is hereby requested to use his best officers to bring about this result. RESOLUTION ACCEPTED.

5. RESOLVED that this Association extends its thanks to Mr. Russell Murray of the Raynham Dog Racing Association for his kindness in entertaining the membership and their ladies on Thursday night, June 17th. RESOLUTION ACCEPTED.

6. RESOLVED that Congressman Philip J. Philbin be extended the thanks of this Association for his activities in behalf of veterans during the past year and as in previous years. RESOLUTION ACCEPTED.

7. RESOLVED that Governor Christian A. Herter and Mayor John B. Hynes be extended the thanks of this Association for their activities and kindness at this Convention. RESOLUTION ACCEPTED.

REPORT OF THE AMENDMENT COMMITTEE:

Article XII—page 7—DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

Section 1: At present reads—The National Vice Commander for each Department elected at the Annual Convention shall be the Commander of his department.

Section 1: CHANGED TO READ AS FOLLOWS—The Department Commander elected by their respective Departments shall be approved by the National Convention as National Vice Commanders. MOTION PASSED.

Article XIV—Page 8—

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Section 2—Now reads—The Nominating Committee shall be guided in making its Nominations for the office of Department Vice Commanders by the recommendation of the respective Departments.

Section 2—Changed to read—The Nominating Committee shall include IN THEIR recommendations as National Vice Commanders the Duly Elected Department Commanders. MOTION PASSED.

ORDER OF BUSINESS—RITUAL—PAGE 11

Change so that the Senior Vice Commander on Membership and the Junior Vice Commander on Service Work won't conflict with the Installation of such Officers, page 16. In short change on Page 16, the duties of each—a simple reverse. MOTION PASSED.

ENTIRELY NEW

The following to be added to Article 8—page 5

New Section 6—The Chapter awarded the Convention must sign a Contract with the National YD Veterans Ass'n. to pay to Nat'l Ass'n THRU the Convention Committee, or Convention Corp. 50 cents of each and every Registration Fee received from the Convention. This total amount to be paid to the Nat'l Treasurer on the last day of the Convention.

NEW—Section 7—The National Commander shall appoint Two members of the Association who are NOT Members of the Convention Committee or Convention Corporation to assist the Registration Committee.

Section 6 and 7 were laid on the table until the next Convention in 1955.

AMENDMENT: Add to Section I, Article XI under National Officers the office of Assistant National Service Officer and Hospitalization Officer. ACCEPTED.

The Sgt-at-Arms escorted Commander George F. Johnson of the YD Club of Boston, Host for the Convention, to the platform. He greeted the membership in the name of the Boston Chapter and asked them to be patient with the WW-II men as they were trying hard and to have the WW-I men encourage the men of WW-II.

The Sgt-at-Arms asked the National Commander if he would escort the Past National President of the Auxiliary, Mrs. Irene Melville and the newly-elected President Mrs. Florence Tarlton to the platform. They were both escorted down and Mrs. Melville spoke to the membership and stated that the Auxiliary had voted to present to the Department Commander of Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Connecticut, three (3) checks in the amount of $25.00 each to be used for the hospital fund in their department only.

Mrs. Florence Tarlton, newly-elected National President of the YD Auxiliary spoke briefly.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

PNC Joseph L. Bourget read the report of the Nominating Committee which met at the YD Club in Boston, Sunday, April 4, 1954. When report was completed, Clarence L. Anderson asked for the floor and stated he would like to have his name withdrawn from the office of Member-at-Large of the National Executive Committee.

Motion made, seconded and passed that the name of Clarence L. Anderson be taken off the National Executive Committee.

National Commander O'Connor asked the National Secretary if there were any more nominations. The National Secretary read a petition received at National Headquarters and signed by 42 paid-up members of the Association, to place the name of Clarence L. Anderson on the ballot for National Commander.

Motion made, seconded and passed that the Secretary cast one vote for the slate of officers brought in by the Nominating Committee, with the exception of the office of National Commander.

Following the report of the Nominating Committee, PNC Albert Herman seconded the nomination of James F. Meikle, which was also seconded by Robert Dickson of the New York Chapter. Roy W. Reimer of Boston, Harold A. Nute, Past State Commander of Worcester and Harold S. Fallon, Past State Commander of Manchester, N. H. and Michael Dell Isola, PNC, seconded the nomination of Clarence L. Anderson.

National Commander O'Connor appointed the following on the Balloting Committee.

James N. Sullivan—Dr. Chester Brown
Albert W. Herman; Roy W. Reimer
Howard W. Titus

The Ballots were turned over to the Balloting Committee who passed them out to the members.

Sgt.-at-Arms escorted General W. J. Blake, Past National President of the YDVA to the platform.

While the Balloting was taking place, Honorary Lt. General W. S. Paul (Ret), spoke to the membership and urged their full cooperation and loyalty to the Division.

The National Commander presented the Meritorious Awards.

Anthony J. Rock, President of the Convention Corporation spoke and urged all veterans to attend the Memorial Services and Loyalty Day Parade on Sunday, June 20th.

Results of Balloting:

Anderson	94
Meikle	116
	210

Clarence L. Anderson asked for the floor and stated that he would like to have the vote be made unanimous and urged their full cooperation for the new National Commander and asked them to go along with him for better things in YDVA.

New National Commander, James F. Meikle, spoke to the membership and thanked them and said he would do his utmost to have a bright and prosperous year.

Salute to the colors.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

National Secretary

RAINBOW (42nd Div.) CONVENTION

The RAINBOW (42nd Div.) Veterans Association held their 36th Annual Convention at the Statler Hotel in Boston on July 12, 13 and 14.

An invitation to attend was sent by President George Seamans to the National Commander and National Secretary of the YDVA. National Commander Meikle and National Secretary Guy Watts both attended the opening meeting of the Convention in YD uniforms and had the honor of Posting the Rainbow and National Colors to open the Convention.

National Commander Meikle brought the greetings of the YD Veterans Association to the 36th Annual Convention and an open invitation to all Delegates to visit our National Headquarters at any time during their stay in the city.

It was a pleasant surprise to see almost four hundred turn out at the first meeting of their Convention. Here is hoping that we two Divisional Association's get together more often.

104th REGIMENT MURAL REDEDICATED

Saturday, June 19, at 3 P. M. during the Y.D. Convention several hundred veterans of the 104th Infantry Regiments of World Wars I and II held an impressive rededication ceremony at the mural on the wall of the third floor of the State House. The ceremony recognized the honor given to the regiment by the Republic of France during WW-II when it was awarded a Regimental Croix de Guerre, an honor which was also given the regiment in WW-I.

The dedicatory address was made by Colonel Dwight T. Colley who served in the regiment in both World Wars and who received the Distinguished Service Cross for bravery in action in both wars. Colonel Colley's address is printed in full in this issue.

Left to right: Standing, Thomas J. Mackey, Chairman; Father Francis X. Bransfield, Lieutenant Governor Sumner Whittier, Lt. Gen. W. S. Paul (ret.), Brig. Gen. Ralph A. Palladino, Colonel Dwight T. Colley. Kneeling: Lawrence Field, Commander 104th Veterans Association, James F. B. Meikle, National Commander YD Veterans Association.

Other inspiring talks were given by Lt. General Willard S. Paul who commanded the Y.D. in WW-II, Brig. General Ralph A. Palladino who commanded the 104th in WW-II after Colonel Colley was wounded by enemy artillery fire until the regiment was de-activated and Lieut. Governor Sumner G. Whittier who represented the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Lieut. Governor Whittier, who served as a Lieutenant in the Navy in WW-II, paid great tribute to the 104th and Y.D. of both World Wars.

The mural was unveiled by the two commanders of the regiment in WW-II, Colonels Colley and Palladino. Rev. Fr. Francis X. Bransfield, Y.D. Chaplain in WW-II, gave the Invocation and Benediction and Lawrence H. Field, Commander of the 104th Infantry Regiment Veterans Association and James F. B. Meikle, newly-elected National Commander of the Yankee Division Veterans Association, placed wreaths on behalf of their organizations. Thomas F. Mackey, a Past Commander of the 104th Regiment Veterans Association and also a Past State Commander of the American Legion, acted as master of ceremonies.

The ceremony ended with the playing of Taps and Echo in memory of our departed comrades.

At 7 P. M. a regimental dinner attended by 125 former 104th men and their friends was held at the Copley Square Hotel. A fine meal and entertainment was enjoyed.

The committee in charge of both affairs consisted of Thomas F. Mackey, chairman, General Ralph A. Palladino, H. Guy Watts, Raymond S. Fuller and Lawrence A. Wagner, all Past Commanders of the 104th Infantry Regiment Veterans Association.

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Dedicatory Address by Dwight T. Colley at the Mural Painting of the 104th Infantry in the State House, Boston, Mass., on June 19, 1954

A REDEDICATION OF THE TRADITION

This is indeed a ceremony that we of the Regiment are proud to share. For here in this chamber of tradition close by Boston's famous Common, we stand on truly soldier's ground consecrated by the Nation's first agonizing birth pains.

Of course, the 104th Infantry is Massachusetts' own Regiment, fashioned from three of her very oldest units. However, families all over this land have been glad and proud that in two wars their sons have joined with the soldiers from a State with such an honorable military heritage. It has always been better to be a soldier from Massachusetts!

Only a few of us are here today, who in 1918 stood together beneath those glorious battle flags on a far French hillside close behind the lines that had just been so stoutly defended.

The taste of Victory was bittersweet. Leadership had been justified, self-confidence was strong, and the most precious of traditions was established—the *Tradition of Victory*.

True, the companies and the battalions had been tested previously in the winter line beyond Soisson, but here in the Bois Brule at Apremont at a critical salient in the defense, *the Regiment as a Regiment* met the professional German army's best shock troops trained for this particular action. And here, as General Passaga said: "They held the Post of Honor." They stood fast as the attack swept around them, and there an American National Guard unit of boys became an Infantry Regiment of men.

Here, as is depicted in this beautiful mural, the colors were decorated by a *reencouraged* French Nation, and in the 104th Infantry a fierce pride was kindled, and every man in that formation understood at last that day the real meaning of *Esprit de Corps*—that great intangible that we can never quite explain in training.

On through Belleau Wood and town, St. Mihiel, and the bloody Argonne, they never lost a foot of ground, nor lost their unit faith. Their gallant dead lie at the red crest of each of the 26 Division's historic attacks.

I recall all of this for the young men that were not here before.

And now we come again, a few soldier people, bound together as only an Arab Tribe, or Scottish Clan is bound, for this is indeed a blood brotherhood, drawn by comradeship, responding to a great Tradition.

We have come to rededicate this painting that is redecorated as the Regimental colors have been again decorated by a grateful France, whom we helped to set free—and Lafayette is indeed doubly paid.

By what right do we stand here in the capital of our oldest state in this free land?

We are here, safe in this warm gathering, because in the cold rain of breaking dawn on November 8, 1944, Infantry began debouching from the forest edge along the high ridges above the Siel River; and did not stop until all of France was free. This attack is indeed a symbol; and there could be no finer symbol. Civilization began in little patches on this earth. It did not appear all at once, and so envelop the world. In fact, it does not do so yet after thousands of years; but disciplined associations of freedom loving decent people have survived, and have spread slowly because from the hills of comparative safety again and again men have gone down in the valley reluctantly but steadily to meet the enemy so that there could be a place safe for their own to grow in peace behind the barrier their falling bodies made.

I carefully have not mentioned names because there are so many names. An Infantry Regiment is like nothing else in the world. It is unlike a successful corporation or other institutions dependent on great names. Infantry advances in the night through black woods and up the bare slopes without even the reward of cheering crowds.

It goes forward because of the dogged *courage* of little unknown people because of squad and company and battalion leadership. Because under the fury of machine gun fire a man who has everything to lose, gets up and says: "LET'S GO!", and a few around him, sensing the breath

of newly discovered courage, rise and follow until at last they close with a faltering defense. Thus, losing themselves in the great release of final contact, sweep on to the crest of that last high defended hill.

Perhaps a new and unknown unit would have won those high escapements beyond Vic sur Siel that bleak November day; but a long line of Divisions jumped off that morning, and General Patton was to say to me later, that: "Your Regiment was the first of twenty attacking Regiments to gain its initial objectives."

And you and I know it was not by chance that the two leading Battalions to reach the high ground were commanded by Lt. Colonels, you had enlisted as privates in this Regiment years before, and were thus raised in a most precious heritage. I want to pay special tribute to General Palladino, who took command of the Regiment and led it to final victory, and to men like him, who carry this great Tradition forward between the wars. Men, who without the stimulation of war, train and pass on to the leaders of the ever renewing regiment the glory of past victories. To those who had known only of Victory, the second accolade of France was perhaps already won.

Men of the 104th as we close, may we say to our BRAVE DEAD, as in the Song of Roland, the Archbishop said to the king's knights, who were about to lead a last desperate charge: "Good Knights, you are the friends of God; today you will be crowned and flowered resting in the holy flowers of Paradise where no cowrad will ever come."

Lynn Praises Convention

Hello Guy:

Enclosed find check for $201.00 for 67 memberships, more to come shortly. Also check for $2.00 for Y. D. Stamps you sent me. The Boston boys deserve a big hand for the splendid convention they put over. Everybody I met seemed to be having a good time and at our last meeting, there was nothing but praise for your Boston Committee.

Sincerely,

Ray

FRONT COVER

JAMES F. B. MEIKLE: National Commander YD Veterans Association.

ELECTED: Boston, Mass., June 19, 1954.

ENLISTED: January, 1915 in First Corps Cadets, Boston, Mass.

SERVICE: Changed to 101st Engineers with 26th Division, August, 1917. Served with Co 'B', 101st Engineers in France until receiving Commission as 2nd Lt. August, 1918. Sent to 110th Engineers, 45th Division.

DISCHARGED: 1919 at Camp Humphries, Va.

COMMANDER: Bristol Chapter 1950-51. COMMANDER State Dept. of Conn.

Memorial Services, Sunday, June 6, 1954

The State Department and Auxiliary of Mass., held a most impressive Memorial Service on Sunday, June 6, 1954, at the YD Club, 200 Huntington Avenue, for their departed comrades of the past year. The Services began at 2 P. M. with the entrance of colors and the playing of the "BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC" by Mrs. Marie McDonald, National Secretary of the YDVA AUXILIARY.

The Introductory Remarks were made by the Chairman of the Memorial Committee, Comrade Roy W. Reimer.

Invocation—Rev. Norman O'Connor, Chaplain of Boston University.

Memorial Message—Dept. Commander, Ernest Tetreault, also Dept. President of the Auxiliary, Stella Lavalle.

Piano Solo—Marie McDonald. "America".

Roll Call—Deceased Members—Dept. Chaplain, Norman Day.

> As each name was called there was a poppy and forget-me-not, entwined as one flower, placed in two large wreaths, by the Dept. President of the Auxiliary, Stella Lavalle and the President of the Boston Auxiliary, Lillian McGonagle.
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> As each name was read, Drums were rolled by Comrade Jay Riseman of Boston Chapter.
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> At the completion of the calling of the roll and the placing of the flowers in the wreaths, there was a solo of the "LORD'S PRAYER" by Albert M. Pacifici, National Treasurer, YDVA.
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> This was followed by a Memorial Message by James Sullivan, Past National Commander who represented the National Commander, who was unable to attend.
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> The National President of the Auxiliary, Mrs. Irene Melville, then gave a Memorial Message.

Piano Solo—Marie McDonald. "America".

Benediction—Rev. Father Norman O'Connor.

Taps—Comrade Earle Hunt.

The program ended with the playing of "THE NATIONAL ANTHEM" and retirement of colors by Sgt.-at-Arms, Edwin Streeter and Henry Comtose.

After the ceremony, 15 cars with fifty members of the Dept. and Auxiliary went to the General Clarence R. Edwards Bridge in Revere where one wreath was placed on the Revere end and the other on the Lynn end of the Bridge, by Past National Commander James Sullivan and National President Irene Melville.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

TO THOSE WHO HAVE NOT PAID FOR THE COMING YEAR, THIS is the last issue of Doings that we will mail out to those who have not paid their dues. Commander Meikle has made a concession this year to send this issue, so that you may read about the Convention.

REMEMBER—this is the last one if?

Snapshots Taken at the Clambake,

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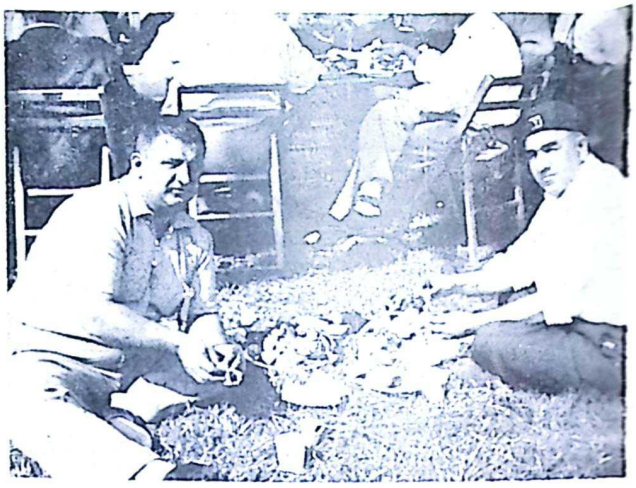

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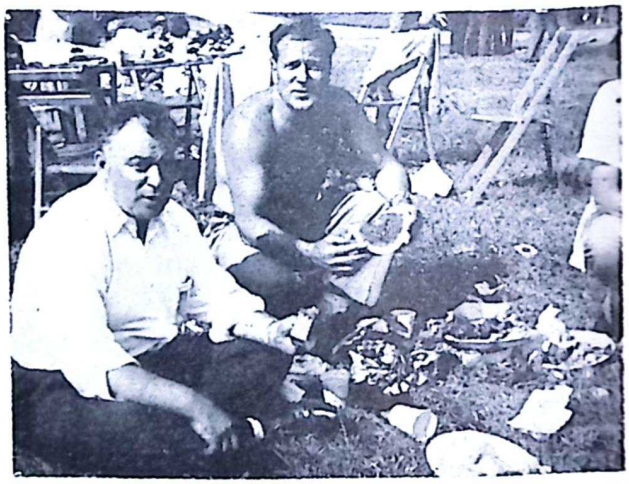

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Seated: George Johnson, Pres. Boston Club; Mrs. James Stewart, Wm. J. Blake, S. Russell Murray.

Standing: Lt. Colonel Gleason, Lt. Colonel O' Brien.

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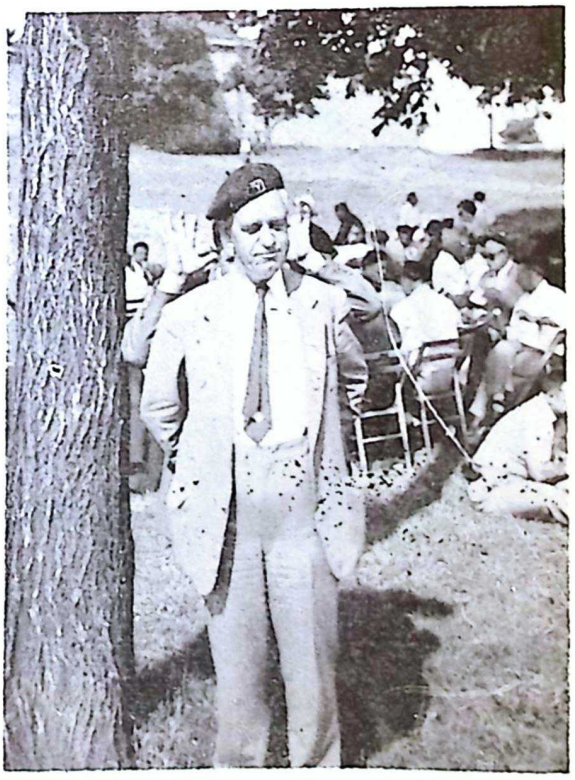
Hugo M. Scagliarini, Father Francis X. Bransfield.

The table being prepared for the Clambake.

John J. Rogan, Boston Chapter, who donated the beer for the Clambake.



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VAGABONDS MOTORING THROUGH EUROPE

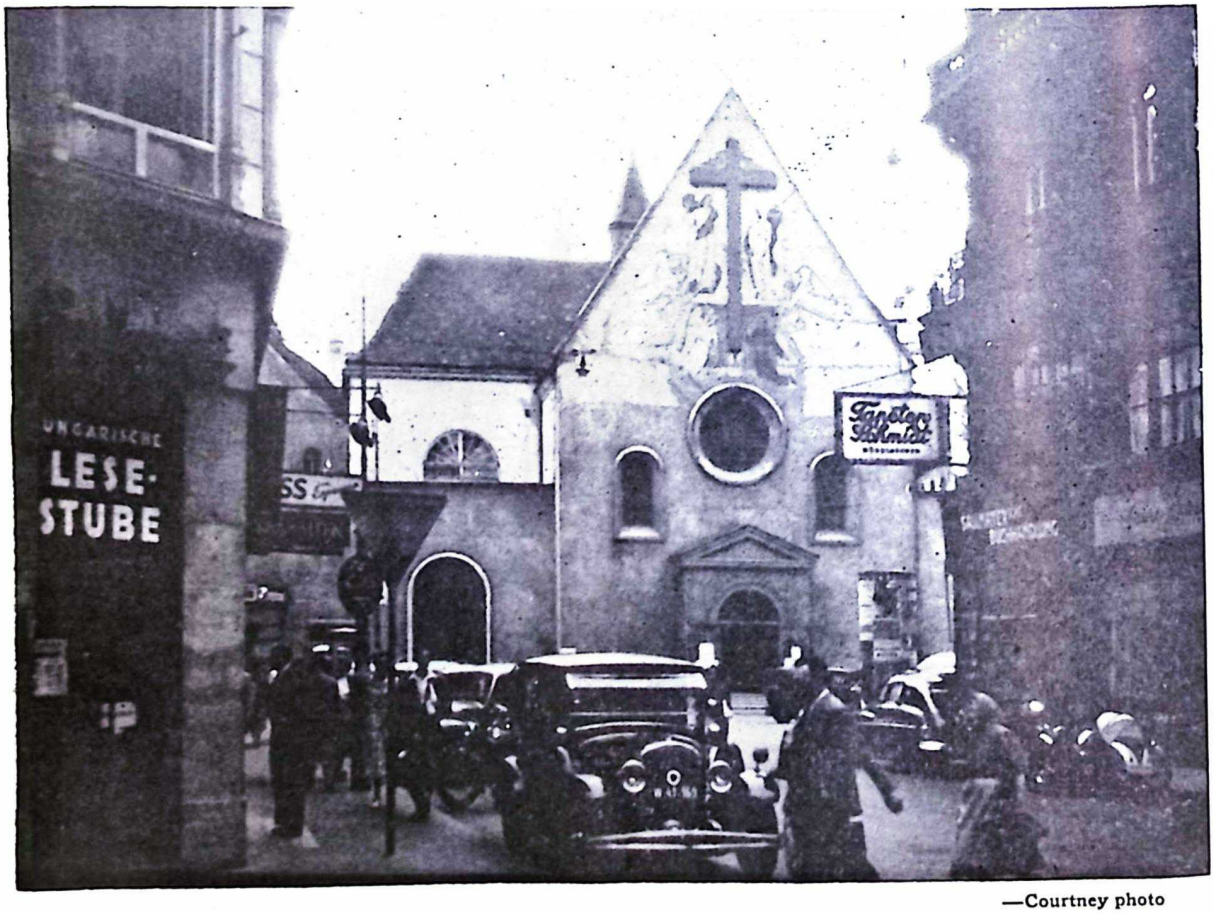
by

NEWTON S. COURTNEY, (*Member Lynn Chapter*)

The last chapter of our travels was brought to a close with our arrival in the old town of Heidleberg. As we entered the town we noticed a group of young men standing beside a large sign which stated that university students were available as guides. So, after a good American breakfast (we stopped in an army hotel which serves American food) we went to the place where we had noted the sign and picked up a student in the Citroen. Under his guidance we went first to the mountain where the famous old castle, now almost entirely in ruins from age, was located. From the courtyard there was an unsurpassed view of the old town to be had. Our guide pointed out buildings famous in history and spoke of their age as being 600 years old as unconcerned as we are at home when we mention a building as being more than 100 years old.

Then the guide told us about the "OLD RED OX" tavern where students gather and sing their college songs over huge steins of beer. As we entered we could hear a badly out-of-tune piano thumping out tunes not at all familiar to our ears. American G.I's with their girl friends were about as numerous as the collegeboys. All in all considerable vigor was evident in their lusty singing—and some of it was very good. Our guide told us that some of the music and scenes from the operetta Student Prince were inspired in this old tavern, which is well over 300 years old.

Early the next morning we hit the autobahn and headed toward Austria. Before arriving at the border, however, we paid a side visit to Dachau, the former site of one of Hitler's concentration camps with its crematories. The town is now the site of a large Quartermaster school and supply area. The crematories are cleaned up, but visitors are permitted on a restricted basis. The huge ovens are now cold and the horrible "gas" chamber is still intact with its "shower heads" still sticking through the ceiling. Condemned prisoners were told that they were



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The final resting place of the royal Hapsburgs is in the basement of the monastery shown here, located in the center of Vienna. The chapel was originally built in the thirteenth century by an early Hapsburg emperor who proclaimed it to be the final resting place for his family. Emperor Franz Joseph who died during World War I was the last of the Hapsburg family to be interred here.

going to take a "shower" and when a crowd was in the room the doors were shut and gas instead of water came through the heads in the ceiling. Nearby is the mass grave of the victims who were buried here by the thousands. Flowers and bronze plaques are now located on the grave, which is neatly kept by civilian attendants.

A few hours later we crossed the border into Austria with Salzburg as our destination. At the frontier we picked up a hitch hiker headed for Vienna University where he is a student. He told us that his home is in Michigan and that he is now in his third year studying medicine at Vienna. He also told us of his interesting travels covering several thousand miles through the Scandinavian countries, all by hitchhiking. We let our friend out on the autobahn where we branched off to enter Salzburg — the birthplace of Mozart.

Salzburg is a pretty little city in the valley, completely surrounded by the Austrian Alps. The Headquarters of the American Army in Austria is located here in several old military barracks. We reported to G-2 to secure our new gasoline permit, since the old one was only good in Germany. We also applied for a special pass to enter the Russian zone enroute to Vienna. The colonel advised against driving to Vienna by automobile, although if we still wished to do so, he would issue the permit at our risk. He stated that 150 kilometers of the road was under Russian control and that so long as we stayed on the main highway they would allow safe passage. However, we were informed that there had been instances where road-signs had been deliberately placed at the wrong intersections and some natives after passing one American check point had never arrived at the other check point. Some Americans had been picked up by the Russians off the main highway and army authorities were many weeks in securing their release. In every instance their car and all their photographic equipment had been confiscated by the Russians. The colonel stated that the army ran a special train to Vienna and return each day. The train is known as the "Mozart" and is under military guard, and that he would give us a pass to ride this train and return at a cost of five dollars each. We accepted his suggestion and boarded the train the following morning arriving in Vienna three hours later. Upon reaching the Danube enroute to Vienna there is an American sentry on one side of the river and the Russians had three sentries on the opposite side. The train slowed down to a crawl when crossing the bridge. The military police had been through the cars previously and warned everyone to keep their cameras in their baggage after entering the Russian zone. On previous trips Russians had noted cameras in the windows and the train was stopped at the next station while Russians with burp guns came through the cars demanding the offending cameras. After removing the film, the cameras were returned. Since the train

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The Austrian city of Salsburg, birthplace of Mozart and Headquarters of the U. S. Army in Austria are located here. The castle shown high on the mountain is now a delightful restaurant where excellent food and wines are served at very low cost. The restaurant is reached by a cable car.

is within the Russian zone, their regulations must be complied with. Vienna's old station was completely demolished during the war, and their new one is equal to any station we have ever seen. Vienna is far better than Paris in the opinion of many who visit it. Almost everything that Paris has to offer may be had here at small fraction of the cost. Food is excellent and there is usually music in nearly every restaurant. The Vienna Opera House is still under repairs from the bombings during the war and will not be open until 1956. However, performances are being given in another theater until the historic old building has been restored. Concrete bomb shelters may still be seen on many of the main streets, as though the people were afraid to demolish them.

Free travel is allowed through every section of Vienna except the 21st and 22nd sections which is in the Russian zone across the Danube. The rest of the city is divided into five sectors each controlled by one of the occupying powers. The only way a visitor would know which sector he was in would be by the uniforms worn by the military police patrolling the sector. There is one exception in the Russian sector. In the main square there is a large Russian tank alongside of which are eight crosses. On the tank is a large sign stating that this square is dedicated to the Russian heroes who were killed here while fighting their "enemy".

Russian headquarters are set up in the Grande Hotel, just a few blocks from the American and British headquarters. The International Sector has a unique plan for the patrolling of that area. On the first of each month one of the occupation powers turns their duties over to another of the powers with a colorful ceremony with parades, bands and much pomp. A gentleman whom we met in Vienna in explaining to us the government of the city named off the occupying powers and then with a sarcastic tone he said, "Oh yes, I forgot to mention the Chinese sector". We visited the State Department Information Office called Amerikahaus and found it filled with Viennese reading newspapers and magazines containing news of America.

The highest building in Vienna is known as the Hoch haus (high house) which is 16 stories high. On the top floor we enjoyed a delightful meal in the fine restaurant there. Looking out from the balcony we could see the Vienna Woods and Danube in the distance. The next day we went into the hills composing the Vienna Woods, made famous by Joanne Strauss and his waltzes. From the top hill may be seen two Iron Curtain countries and the entire Russian Zone on the far side of the river. Strauss must have had colored glasses on the day he named his waltz the "Beautiful Blue Danube", because everytime we saw it, it was a very dirty muddy stream.

Many houses in Vienna bear bronze plaques stating that Joanne Strauss once lived there and composed such and such a work of music while residing there. We learned that Strauss was hard of hearing and he had the unpleasant habit of composing music at any hour of the day or night. After his neighbors had listened to his piano beating out notes over many early morning hours he was requested to move. Now the owners of these buildings are eager to proclaim that their famous composer once lived there.

The Chapel of the Hapsburg Family was most impressive. The entire family (with one exception) lie in the basement of this chapel—now a monastery—in coffins from very plain tiny ones containing the remains of babies, to huge ornate affairs. In order to get the coffin of Emperor Franz Joseph into the crypt a portion of the floor above had to be torn up and the huge coffin lowered with a block and tackle. Franz Joseph died during World War I and is the last of the Hapsburg Royal family. The one member missing from the crypt is the Crown Prince Ferdinand, whose assassination started World War I.

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The armed guard that rides the military train MOZART from Salzburg to Vienna and return daily. The locomotive has a large American flag painted on each side and each car has red, white and blue stripes painted on each side with large letters U. S. ARMY painted over the stripes. Large signs at each entrance to the cars proclaim that Americans Only are permitted to ride.

The former wine cellar of the Austrian Emperors is now a Rathskeller for the public. It is reached by going down three flights of worn, narrow stone steps just outside of the old Emperor's palace. Each customer is brought five one ounce glasses of the different wines served. He sips each glass and orders the wine he like the best. Then the waiter will bring a contraption not at all unlike that used in hospitals for intraveinous feedings. Each glass bottle holds about a quart and at the bottom is a long rubber tube. Instead of having a needle on the end of the tube like the hospital kits there is a small petcock. From then on the customer serves himself in a small wine glass from the large container. Zither music was played by a musician whom we learned was the man who played the zither background music in the motion picture "The THIRD MAN." The following day we visited the amusement park in which is located the ferris wheel which featured in some of the scenes of the same film.

Vienna is a city of beautiful churches. St. Stephan's cathedral is one of the loveliest. Its roof was totally destroyed during the war and is now completely rebuilt with a most pleasing tile effect. We hated to leave Vienna, but as all good things must end, we were aboard the Mozart when it left for Salzburg that afternoon.

Arriving in Salzburg that evening we met a war correspondent representing the Associated Press who informed us about the GI "heaven on earth" better known on the maps we had as Berchtesgarden and Garmisch where the GI is a king for a few days for free—if he has the proper orders. So, we decided to not go directly to Switzerland the next morning, but to detour to visit this "GI paradise." We planned to stay there for a day or two, but it was ten days before we left. Next issue we will tell you what took us so long to get out of this most delightful spot in Bavaria.

PROMOTIONS

JOHN L. PICKETT, former Chief of Staff of the 26th (YANKEE) Division has been appointed United States Property and Disbursing Officer for Massachusetts. He is accountable for all the millions of dollars worth of Federal Property issued to the Mass. N. G. as well as all money paid to members of the Guard. He is also a member of the Staff of the Adjutant General of Massachusetts. At present he is President of the National Guard Association of Mass.

He served with the 103rd Inf. during WW-I. After WW-I with the 102nd F.A., and is a member of the Lynn Chapter YDVA.

COLONEL DANIEL J. MURPHY, Commanding Officer for the past five years of the 101st Infantry has been appointed Assistant Adjutant General in charge of training and operations under Adjutant General William H. Harrison.

RICHARD J. QUIGLEY, the Executive Officer of the 101st Infantry for the past five years has been appointed Commanding Officer of the Regiment. He serves with the Regiment through WW-II.

The following invitation was received from a member of WW-II.

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Jay Riseman Writes D.A.V. Song

At the recent convention held in Springfield, Mass., by the Department of Massachusetts, Disabled American Veterans, the delegates accepted the D.A.V. Song, written by Jay Riseman of Jay Riseman Orchestra and will be forwarded to the National Convention in Miami, Florida.

Mr. Riseman has been in the musical field for many years. Served overseas with the 101st. Infantry (Damn Band) 26th Division and after the armistice transferred to General Pershing's own Band. He was also instructor of field music, receiving a personal citation from General Pershing. Mr. Riseman is a Past Commander of William Connery Chapter 31, D.A.V.; Past Commander Back Bay Post 3718, V.F.W.; member of Crosscup-Pishon Post, A. L. Brookline Post 72, J.W.V. and the YD Club.

MARRIED

Mass. Dept. Commander Ernest Tetreault was married to Hazel O'Brien on Friday evening at 8:00 P .M. in Worcester, Mass.

PDC Harold A. Nute and Aux. Dept. Sgt.-at-Arms, Mrs. Signe M. Nute were the attendants.

An impromptu reception was held at the YD Club at Worcester immediately after the ceremony, where a number of friends wished the happy couple good luck. After a honeymoon the couple will reside at 61 South St., Northampton, Mass.

Yours in Comradeship,
Harold A. Nute

A group of members and their friends enjoying the Clambake at Castle Island. Nat'l YD Convention, Boston, Mass.

JUDGE JOHN J. CONNELLY

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ARTICLE I

By HON. JUDGE JOHN J. CONNELLY

As a juvenile court judge, as a father, and as a proud citizen of the famous city of Boston, I have been alarmed and concerned about the reported increase in the extent and aggravated nature of *child neglect and deliquency and* youthful crime in this country. My alarm and concern is based upon my daily personal observation of cases, the observations of other judges throughout this nation, as well as the observations of other people directly concerned with the health and welfare of children, the almost daily reports in our newspapers of serious delinquencies and crimes, and by the fact that all of these are borne out by national and local statistical studies.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation reports that there was a general rise in major crime arrests, both juvenile and adult, in 1952. A careful study of this national report reveals that there were over two million arrests in the year 1952 and that this represents a definite increase in delinquency and crime. The disturbing fact in this report is that youth appear in this national crime picture not only in greater numbers but in the more serious categories of crime. Further, there is every indication that 1953 and 1954 statistics will show a continued increase.

In my daily observations and in National reports we are recording an amazingly high record of cases of assault as well as other crimes committed by gangs as well as individuals, which have been wantonly cruel and vicious. The increase in the number of stolen automobile cases indicate another danger. These cars generally race recklessly through streets with constant danger to the lives and property of others. Most important the lives of innocent citizens and the delinquents themselves.

These signs of utter disregard for the person as well as property of another, in my opinion, reveals the more serious aspect of the subject—a disrespect for the law and its institution, a basic negative invariably leads to delinquency.

Acknowledging that a problem with some of our children and teen-agers does exist, it is only logical to ask —HOW DID IT HAPPEN? AND WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?

In considering how it happened, let us not forget one

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basic fact—that the nature of children is the same as it always was and they have not changed either in their nature or in their basic needs.

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During the war years and up to the present time, the moral tone of the entire neighborhood slipped.

Remember the whole theory of war is destruction of life and property. These delinquent children received their first impressions of life in a day when war was the first and most important concern of everyone. Is it a wonder therefore that their concepts of morality and responsibility are confused?

There were daily stories of scandals in the higher echelons and right down the line. Men in high office, military leaders, school athletes—all these natural guideposts of youth were tarnished. Everything was negative, and morality became relative.

Children need bright beacons to channel them on the right path. Instead of having clear guides they were confused in a bog of moral uncertainty. Children today have not got the help of the adult population, who should be the first to cry down any dangerous place or person and see that they are removed from the community.

The vast majority of cases of delinquency are caused in most part by environmental factors. By environment we mean the larger environment of the neighborhood rather than just the home. I make this point because I feel we are viewing the problems of children in most difficult, confused, and chaotic times, and, although we are somewhat alarmed by the increase in delinquency and crime, we are confident that the problem can be controlled

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and can be contained at the neighborhood level.

If children reflect the times, and if these times indicate a lowering of moral and ethical standards, resulting in a lowered moral tone at every level of our society, then we should move quickly to raise the moral tone in our neighborhoods so that children will have the opportunity to grow up in better moral environments.

The juvenile delinquent of the present is a far cry from the "bad boy" of a generation or two ago. End product of a depression and a war, the teen-ager who gets into trouble nowadays displays as a rule an utter lack of concept of honor, loyalty, sportsmanship or patriotism toward his school, neighborhood or anything else. His home is merely a place in which to eat and sleep; he has little or no respect for his parents, and none whatever for the law. Activities used to take place in the absence of parents. Now children are largely active outside the home —in clubs, autos, skating rinks, movie theatres, soda fountains. Home no longer plays an intimate part in these children's lives. Thus the opportunities of parents to influence their young is lessened, and loyalty toward home and parents diminished.

We cannot restore spiritual concepts and moral virtues in youth unless we as adults meet the challenge of the forces of evil and irreligion. Only by establishing in the community, in our state, and in our nation, higher moral and ethical standards can we re-establish and strengthen the home and all that it means to American life. Instead, therefore, of making our first point of attack an effort to re-establish the American family in all its strength and glory we should first, through strict law enforcement, neutralize the adverse forces outside the family, because these forces have been able to render almost inoperative the constructiveness of family life. It is apparent that because of these destructive forces a great deal of the potential of our educational system, our health and welfare agencies, and churches, has also been frustrated.

In considering the future, our children are more important even that our natural resources; in fact, in terms of the future, they are the most important national resource. The destiny of this great nation will indeed be precarious if we do not rear the children of today with a sense of responsibility—a mental and moral awareness of the duties and privileges of American citizenship.

I, therefore, strongly recommend, as the first step, that in every neighborhood in our city there should be strict enforcement even against the individual delinquent. By early detection and supervision by police, courts, and agencies, we will prevent the continuing increase of crime and delinquency, gang delinquency will be better controlled, and places and persons who contribute to child delinquency will be discovered and quickly punished. Having thus restored moral standards in our neighborhoods, the result should be that the vast majority of good people should then have the opportunity to lead, direct, educate, and religiously inspire our youth to follow and embrace ethical and moral living.

Consequently, I recommend, as I have before, that there be established in the Police Departments a Juvenile Bureau, which should be staffed with carefully selected officers who will specialize in the early detection of conditions that breed delinquency and crime. The early detection and prompt prosecution of places and persons would not only result in the control of delinquency and crime, but in their prevention.

We must educate children to understand that there must be respect for authority. We know that you cannot have order without law and the respect for law. There is no law without the sanctions and penalties for any person who is rash enough to offend the law. We have seen how disrespect for the sanctions of law on the international order results in war; on the national order it means chaos; in personal lives the disrespect for law and its sanctions results in crime and delinquency.

In conclusion of this first article of my series, I would like to quote from an article published in 1815:- "The repression of the offense and the reformation of the offender are the two objects of law and its sanctions. Fear alone is not sufficient to deter from crime, but if in addition abhorence of vice and love of virtue can be excited; if religious and moral principles can be instilled; if sober and industrious habits can be formed,—society will have all the security which the condition of humanity allows us to expect."

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YDVA NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Boston, Mass., July 25, 1954

The last regular meeting of the National Executive Committee was held at National Headquarters, Boston, Mass., on Sunday, July 25, 1954.

Meeting opened at 2.45 pm. by National Commander Meikle with salute to the colors and prayer.

Those present were: National Commander Meikle, National Treasurer Pacifici, National Secretary Watts, National Sgt.-at-Arms Titus, National Hospital Chairman White. State Dept.: Sr. Vice Commander State of Mass., Roy Reimer; Commander R. I., Grandchamp; Commander N. H., Bechard; Conn. Commander, Lindgren. Chapter Commanders: Bailey of Manchester; Cannoa of Providence; Tarleton of Haverhill; Johnson of Boston; Past National Commanders: O'Connor, Bourget and McCormack; At-Large, Vickery, Kane, Anderson.

The first business of the meeting was the election of the National Secretary. National Secretary Watts tendered his resignation, which was accepted. A motion was made by Reimer, Seconded by Anderson that H. Guy Watts be elected to the position of National Secretary of the YD Veterans Association for the coming year. Motion Passed.

National Treasurer Pacifici read the report of the finances of the Association for the past year, which showed a balance in the black. National Treasurer analyzed the report and showed that there were a couple of items received this past year which would not be in future years. One the rebate which came back to the Association from the YD Pilgrimage Committee and rebate on rent donated by the Boston Club. Stated that dues alone would not run the Association. Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of Past National Commander O'Connor, chairman of the Cathedral of Pines Committee: Stated that committee had met in Rindge, N. H., at the Cathedral. Talked with the management and found that a YD on the stone would not be permitted. F. White spoke on the report. E. Kane also spoke. PNC Bourget told of selecting the stone in France and having it shipped to this country. Bailey of Manchester also spoke and Vickery told of a recent visit he made to the Memorial.

It was decided to leave it in the hands of the Committee and go through with the services on October 3, 1954.

NEW BUSINESS

A MOTION was made by Bourget, SECONDED by O'CONNOR, and Passed that the National Commander appoint a committee of three to have the books audited and the Committee be authorized to pay the Auditor.

National Commander Meikle announced the following appointments.

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN—
Gardner L. Hall

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN—
Edward J. Kane

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY CHAIRMAN—
Michael P. O'Connor

A MOTION was made by Bourget, SECONDED by White that Clarence L. Anderson be appointed to fill the vacancy on Members-at-Large on National Executive Committee. Motion Passed.

A letter from PNC Eliot Carter in regard to Memorial flag pole placques at Camp Edwards was read, suggesting that the placques be removed and brought back to Boston until a suitable place is found for them.

A Motion was made, Seconded and Passed that the National Commander appoint a Committee to bring in a report at the next N.E.C. on this project. George F. Johnson, Commander of Boston was appointed Chairman and he to pick his own committee.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

YD Pilgrims Reminisce at Castle Island

Underneath a blue and sunny sky in the shade of the ancient bastions of historic Fort Independence a group of travel stained pilgrims who made the trip to Bellou and Rome a year ago indulged in reminiscences of that memorable trip while enjoying the delectable shore dinner, clam bake and lobster dinner of the 1954 Y.D. Convention.

Subsequent to the dinner Norman Keniston suggested that it would be appropo to see a projection of Mike Mooney's colored pictures he shot on the pilgrimage last year as the heat would make dancing at military ball at the Sheraton-Plaza unpleasant.

This idea met with the approval of 18 of the group. At eight thirty o'clock that evening all met at the hotel and were driven in four cars to Mike Mooney's home in the shadow of Bunker Hill where he got his projector, screen and two hundred slides. Twenty minutes later all were ensconced in Bill Fahey's attractive home in Arlington. After cooling drinks served à la Française by our host the group was regaled to two hours of colored slides depicting scenes at the rededication of the Y.D. Church at Bois Bellou, Paris, Rome, Naples, Capri, Florence, Venice and the cities and picturesque sites in 7 other countries of Europe visited by the Y.D. Pilgrims during the following month. To make the evening more interesting Norman Keniston projected 50 slides that he took on the trip with his Leica. At conclusion of the show Comrade Fahey served a buffet lunch. A big silvery moon was shining as the pilgrims drove back to their hotels in Boston in the wee small hours of the morning, all hoping to make the Y.D. Pilgrimage in 1958 as announced in the convention program.

Those at the showing of the films were: Mr. and Mrs. Norman Keniston of Detroit, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. R. Heftye of Lynn and who hoped to make make their residence in Los Angeles. Mike Mooney of Charlestown, Joe Lemere, Manchester, Conn.; Wm. Fahey, Arlington, Mass.; Fritz Neal, Waltham, Mass.; Misses' Leita and Velma Varnam of Lynn; Mr. Rama Naddar, Paris, France and Arthur Desmond of Acton, Massachusetts.

DEPARTMENT AND CHAPTER NEWS

National Commander: James F. B. Meikle, RFD 1, Unionville, Conn.
National Secretary: H. Guy Watts, 200 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass.

DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS

Commander: Ernest A. Tetreault, 48 Fort Hill Terrace, Northampton, Mass.
Secretary: Arthur Dragon, 73 North Main St., Florence, Mass.

Meeting of May 2, 1954

Meeting called by Commander Ernest Tetreault at 3:15.

All officers present but Jr. Vice Henry Contois who was reported ill.

Chapters represented seven.

It was suggested that Secy. write each Chapter for a list of all deceased members which was not done from May 1, 1953 to March, 1954.

Roy Reimer volunteered to go through YD Doings of past year and get an up-to-date list.

Also we make June 6, our next regular meeting in YD Home, Boston. And at this meeting to hold our memorial exercises.

It was moved and seconded to hold memorial services yearly on the 1st Sunday in June.

It was also voted to purchase poppies and Forget-me-nots. Also a wreath to be placed on Gen. Edwards Bridge. Commander Streeter spoke on the New Station on YD Highway and hopes to get more news by next meeting.

Comrade Nute reports that Worcester Chapter has opened up a new kitchen and that very fine food will be served between the hours of 9 A. M. to 7 P. M.

If possible try and stop and enjoy a good meal. The kitchen will be in charge of Mrs. Signe Nute and Mrs. Florence Goodwin.

Adjourned at 5.15. Arthur Dragon, *Secy.*

BEVERLY CHAPTER

Commander: Philip W. Browning
19 Essex St., Beverly, Mass.

Secretary-Treasurer: Thomas J. Wallace
33 Thorndike St., Beverly, Mass.

Several members of the Beverly Chapter took in the June meeting on the 8th, joining in with their wives at a very pleasant dinner meeting at the Essex Sea Grill in Essex, Mass. This has become an annual event, and is looked forward to with great interest by many of the members. Everyone enjoyed the dinner, and as for Chapter business, well, it turned into a very pleasant social gathering. Between Norm MacLean lecturing on camp life, in New Hampshire and Arthur Mears selling the advantages of living in Essex, it is difficult to know just yet, who won the debate. I must not forget, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Streeter, were also present.

During Memorial Day week-end the Wallaces' visited with friends at Cape Cod, and while there I paid a visit with that "Old Soldier" from Beverly, Roland H. Choate, former Capt. Supply Co., 102nd F.A., WW-I. He has been under the weather for some time but is coming along fine. If any of you fellows, especially 102nd F.A., have a card kicking around the house doing nothing drop it to Rollie. Just address it to Falmouth, Mass., it will find its way, when it gets there.

Nominate
BOSTON
SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
WILLIAM F.
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State Treasurer
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Educator - Veteran - 45th Division - Legislator
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Roland Hoogerzeil, formerly Bty. F, and HQ Co., 101st F.A., WW-I, got tired of being a member-at-large of the YDVA, and has joined with the Beverly Chapter. He did that all the way from Mansfield, Mass.

Frank L. Smith is on the sick list, but expects to return to work in the near future. Thomas J. Reid for sometime a patient at the Beverly Hospital, has been moved to the Lahey Clinic in Boston. As yet, there is no report as to what may be his troubles.

This will be the last report of the Beverly Chapter for the summer, so here is wishing better health to the sick and a pleasant summer to all.

Thomas W. Wallace, *Secy.*

BOSTON CHAPTER

Commander: George F. Johnson
11 DeWolf St., Dorchester 25, Mass.

Secretary: H. Guy Watts
200 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass.

The Convention was very gratifying to all members of the Convention Committee after working for the past eight months with meetings every week and lots of work in between. The reports from all attending were the best. Treasurer Pacifici is still working on the books and it will be some time before he can close them and give a final report.

It has been very quiet ever since the Convention and gives us all a chance to catch up on back work and some rest.

It was good to see some of our members and former members from out of town. Phil Souza was here from Allentown, Pa. Charlie Devlin came up from New York. Ray McKenna came up from Florida. Fred Crowley looked great, he has been living in upstate New York.

We are planning for the fall and winter season. The orchestra will return for the winter shortly after Labor Day. We are making new improvements on the first floor and will be ready for a big business this fall.

Our Mother's Day Dinner Party was held at Clover Hill, there was entertainment and dancing and everyone who attended had a swell time. The committee for this annual social event, was Commander Ruberti, Comrades Provencial and Deloge.

The Y. D. Convention is coming up, and for this, the arrangements are in the hands of our capable Bob O'Brien. He is a veteran at this job, and we assure you no one will leave thirsty from our Chapter rooms at the Hotel.

Arrangements were also made at this meeting for the Memorial Day parade, and the decoration of graves. We hope the comrades turn out in large numbers for this occasion.

It was voted to start a progressive attendance prize at the September Meeting, starting at $5.00.

We were glad to see Comrade Jolly, recovered and at the meeting. Gete Shea is also reported doing well, at the Rutland Hospital.

Tom Horgan and Larry Madigan are still sick. We hope to see them all fully recovered at our next meeting.

We almost missed our lunch at this meeting. O'Brien put the hamburg in the deep freeze, when our chef, Red Bryce went to get it, he wasn't a bit pleased (and I don't care to repeat what he said), but with the help of a chisel and hacksaw, he was able to turn out some tasty hamburgers on time.

Our usual round table conference took place after the meeting. We missed Jimmy Smith for the second consecutive meeting. Come on, Jimmy, for the Building Fund you know. See you all next meeting.

Our June meeting was a big success with an attendance of 30 members. This was our last meeting of the summer. Our next get-together will be our annual outing and barbecue. This event will be held at the Girl Scout Camp, as usual.

Our Ladies' Night was a big success, and all who attended had a swell time. The attendance was not as large as we expected, so there was more to eat and drink for those present. Plan to attend the next one—you who missed it.

Our Bob O'Brien had charge of our Chapter Rooms again, and the boys were plenty refreshed at the refreshment bar. But everyone left under their own power. Then to the Clam Bake, which was a good one and enjoyed by 21 of our Chapter Members at Castle Island. Even if we did tread on someone's toes and get in the way of the head table, we sure think we had a right to be there. Then back to our Chapter Rooms at the Copley Square Hotel, where the location and accommodations were ideal. The beer started to flow plenty and the Cola Drink, with the added horsepower went over very big. It was really a pause that refreshes, but some of the boys paused a little too long, maybe.

So ended the celebration of another Milestone in our lives, perhaps not so very outstanding, but well worth noting. For some of our Comrades, it may be the last, as Father Time plays no favorites.

Fitchburg Chapter, lost one of its charter members,

FITCHBURG CHAPTER

Commander: Elvio Ruberti
56 Boylston St., Fitchburg, Mass.

Secretary: Ernest F. George
100 Pacific St., Fitchburg, Mass.

Well, things are looking up at Fitchburg Chapter, we had a record attendance for the year at this meeting. 34 members were present, which is more than the largest organization can say in Fitchburg. Which goes to show, the members like to get out once a month and meet their old buddies, and talk over old times.

Commander Ruberti reported on the meeting of the Veterans Council of Fitchburg, and read the by-laws. Our Chapter voted to fully co-operate with the movement. The Commander and Sr. Vice Commander, will represent Fitchburg Chapter, the alternates will be the Jr. Vice Commander and Treasurer.

Frank Nutile, who died while many of his friends were attending the National Convention. He was a member of Co. L, 104th Infantry, WW-I, and was holder of the Purple Heart.

Capt Elbert M. Crockett, former Commander of D Co., 101st Supply Train, honored us by spending time at Fitchburg, visiting all his many friends, who had the privilege of serving under such a fine, loyal and respected gentleman. Capt. Crockett, at 83 years old, is active, alert and kindly and looks back on the past with much joy, and no regrets. The Fitchburg Chapter Y.D. and all members of your old Company say, thanks Captain for your visit, and may God preserve you for many more years.

It was voted to make the usual donation to the Girl Scouts, who have been so kind as to allow us to use their excellent camp each year. Don't forget fellows, DUES ARE THE LIFE BLOOD OF OUR CHAPTER, so keep it alive. Give it that type Z blood, we need it badly.

The usual tasty lunch was served by Chef Bryce, and the boys rehashed their experiences of the past, over their beer. See you next meeting.

Ernie George, *Secy.*

LYNN CHAPTER

Commander: Charles Scanlon
113 Burrill St., Swampscott, Mass.

Secretary: Edmond Trudell
44 Bowler St., Lynn, Mass.

With the real hot weather our meetings have been small, other than a smoker meeting last Tuesday of each month. Many of our members have been quite prominent in Community affairs. Commander Charles Scanlon is Chief of Auxiliary Police in Swampscott. Leo Agnew and Steve Walsh are key men in School Dept. Carl Holstrom and Al Michaud are with Registry of Motor Vehicles office in Lynn. Earl Bailey a big shot at State House. Ernie Cloon an Inspector of Food for State. Jim Connolly one of New England's top Bank Experts. Tom Curran with Internal Revenue.

Newt Courtney in charge of Veteran's Services in Swampscott. Bill Clapp one of Salem's leading automobile dealers. Gregory Connolly the 2nd a big shot Contractor in Beverly. Ray Doucette as License Commissioner in Lynn. H. Allen Durkee and Fred "Dinty" Moore the successful Marshmallow Fluff boys. Joseph Daley one of Essex County's leading wholesale druggists. Leon Denis one of Uncle Sam's real veteran's. Bill Eddows one of our hardest workers. Arthur Flynn the Chief of Peabody Fire Dept. Frank Curry a Lieut. in Lynn Police Dept.

Eustis Grimes a leading Engineer in Everett. Al Harrington, Mike Garofano, Ed Nicholson, Dick Hennessey, Leslie Pugh, Claude Hoag, Oliver Nichols, all big shots at Lynn's G-E. Clarence Howard a live wire in Saugus Rotary. Bob Hurley a great worker for St. Joseph's H. N. Society. Bill Goodwin our live wire at Soldiers' Home, Chelsea. Joe Jackman the Manager of Salem's Sylvania Plant. Willard Jackson town Assessor in Marblehead. Dr. George Kirkpatrick one of Lynn's leading medics. Ray Knox a big shot at Knox Die Co. and an expert fisherman.

Perley Knight a leading money expert. Joe Laffey an expert on fishing & hunting. F. Sylvester "Buddy" Morrison the top man in G-E's Police & Fire Dept's. Johnnie Morgan Esq., one of the Country's leading Barristers. Harlie McPhetres head of Federal Housing in Mass. Norville Milmore one of Lynn's leading Market experts. Bert Narbis one of Marblehead's live wire electrical experts. Mayor Peter O'Neill, a big shot with Uncle Sam's Army. Ted O'Connell a retired big shot from Salem's Sylvania.

Colonel John Pickett who now is a real big shot in Uncle Sam's Army and who has been awfully good to our Chapter. Doc Pierce the foot specialist. Joe Parker assistant to Lynn's Building Supt. Percy Paige an expert mechanic, hunter and fisherman. Bob Quinn our expert drill master and great worker with the youngsters.

Bill Roome one of Marblehead's leaders in Veteran's affairs. Henry Sullivan a retired big shot from G-E. Ed Saulnier one of Lynn's leading Bakery owners. George Stevens one of our leading businessmen. Walter Smith, a real live evangelist. Ed Streeter a big shot at Navy Yard. Ed Trudell the printing expert. Captain Marsh Taylor of Merchant Marine. Bob Telford a leader in Nahant, Steve Torry a top Bank examiner.

Leon "Muscles" Varnam one of Uncle Sam's Custom Inspectors and amateur actor. Chris Vance one of Revere's prize dancers and yachtsman. Sam Weiner a big shot Lynn Furniture dealer. George Wood and George Walton real civic leaders and many others who will be mentioned later. We have a great group of workers and our membership should be tops this year.

The Duke

NEW BEDFORD

Commander: William W. Dresner
140 Central Ave., New Bedford, Mass.

Secretary: Dester D. Dubois
106 Arnold St., New Bedford, Mass.

The following were elected as officers of the New Bedford Chapter for the following year: Commander, William W. Dresner; 1st Vice Commander James J. Downey; 2nd Vice Commander, Joseph W. Blanchette; Treasurer, Walter W. Johnson; Secretary Dester D. Dubois.

Election and Installation were held on April 28th with William Barter acting as the Installing Officer. There were 56 present and a turkey supper was served afterwards with movies. A grand evening was enjoyed by all present.

Commander Dresner has promised to try for a 100% membership of the New Bedford area this year. He will contact all former members.

SPRINGFIELD

Commander: John S. Lowe
24 Dewey St., Springfield, Mass.

Secretary: Thomas F. Crokan
86 Chilson Street, Springfield, Mass.

More for the Honor Roll, those who paid their dues before June 18th, the time having been extended from May 1st: John B. Hourihan, Jack Bolden, Roswell Patch, Earle Winkley, Edgar Stromwall, Hugo Scagliarini, Wm. Fisher, George Norton, Edw. Payette, Mort Sullivan, Sam Norkin, Henry Priebe, Stanley Kosiarski, Raymond LaFevre, Ben Johnson, Peter Koloski, Joe King, Bill Anyon, Joe Malley, Doc. Larrow, Jules Martindale, R Munyan, J. J. Costa, Bill McDonough, H. Fakorian. More later.

Attention all MS Co Guys. Bill Ferrier of that good old outfit is confined to bed most of the time at Soldiers' Home in Holyoke and he craves company and letters. Write to him.

Some of you World War Two "Buds" should get together like John Costa and Haig Takorian. Both have telephones. Lots of others could try this out.

The officers of the Chapter elected for the coming year were: Commander, John Lowe; Sr. Vice Commander, Angelo Curtis; Jr. Vice Commander, James J. Geary; Treasurer, Benjamin Johnson; Secretary, Thos. T. Crokan; Chaplain, Earl Winkley; Judge Advocate, Ray Fuller; Historian, Wm. McCormick; Sgt.-at-Arms, Wm A. Accorsi; Board of Directors, Wm. Fisher, Hugo Scagliarini, R. L. Beach, R. F. Patch, D. J. Brunton.

Our new Quarters were made available June 7th and plans for a complete paint and clean-up job was started. The address is 68 Court St., next to our beautiful Auditorium and next to the Police Hdqrs.

All officers of the Chapter on New Quarters Committee report when the place is renovated, Open House will be held. It is expected that our first meeting will be held there Aug. 20th.

All the Comrades who know Charlie Fazio of B 104th should send him a card to 231 Adams St., Agawam, Mass.

Harry and Ann Valentine enjoyed a few weeks in Florida. My error Harry you a 102nd MS Vet.

WORCESTER CHAPTER

Commander: Roland Cook
16 Vista Drive, Shrewsbury, Mass.

Secretary: Sheldon Goodwin
3 Allen St., Worcester, Mass.

At the annual Memorial Day parade in Worcester, there was a favorable turnout of members: The chapter was led by Commander Roland Cook, while its Auxiliary was led by Junior-Vice President, Nora Johnson. It was the largest representation for the past several years. Once more, this year, General Thomas Foley, a member of Worcester Chapter for some time, was Chief Marshall.

Three fine movies were shown, following the chapter meeting of Thursday, May 13—namely "The Battle for San Pedro" (An Italian war film of World War II.) "The Yankee Division in World War II" (Showing the Battle of the Bulge"); and a short film of the Korean Campaign, from 1950-51, (Showing the retreat from Chosin Reservoir). As usual, this year, Worcester Chapter promises a fine showing of delegates at the National Convention; and a major portion of these members will attend the two main business meetings.

The Chapter also plans to turn out for the biggest YD Convention parade since World War 2, irregardless of weather conditions; with its Commander Roland Cook, at the head of its delegation.

The Chapter paid its finest respects to a fine military leader of the Yankee Division in both World Wars; namely, Brigadier General William I. Rose, (Retired), of the Boston YD Chapter, for the past 10 years, who passed away on Wednesday, June 9, 1954, at the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea, Mass, after a short illness. Under Commander Roland M. Cook, a ritual service was held at Callahan's Funeral Parlors, Trumbull Square, Worcester, on Friday evening, June 11, at 7:15 P.M., with a goodly number of chapter members in attendance. The Auxiliary also showed up well. On the following day, Saturday, June 12, there was a Military Mass at 10:15 A.M., at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament; followed by one of the longest and finest, (if not the longest and finest) Military funeral processions in the history of the city of Worcester. Burial was at St. John's Cemetery, with a 21-gun salute, and a small squadron of Jet planes flying overhead.

The first fall meeting of the chapter will be on Thursday evening, September 9, at 8 P. M., at its quarters, to be preceded by its monthly Executive Committee meeting.

As usually is the case every year at National Convention time, Worcester Chapter was well represented, at most of the events. A very good representation was at the Clam Bake on Castle Island, whereas Worcester is especially noted for its own bakes, in the past. Among the officers and members who were at the Convention were: Commander Roland M. Cook, and Auxiliary President Florence Gould; Past State Commander, Harold Nute; State Dept. Jr.-Vice Commander, Henry Contois; Chapter Treas. Eugene Gilliam; Adjutant Sheldon Goodwin; State Dept. Sgt.-at-Arms, Archie McInnes; YD Restaurant Manager, Harold (Bud) Gould; P.C. Edward (Major) Bird; Francis Berthiaume and among the Auxiliary members from Worcester: Sr.-Vice President, Florence Premo; Jr. Vice President, Nora Johnson; Past President's Signe Nute and Minnie Gilliam; Secretary, Mary Boyd; Past Pres. Sue Nuponen; Chaplain Florence Goodwin, and Trustee Bernice Mellon.

All Worcester Chapter and Auxiliary members pledged their full support for the new National Commander from Bristol, Conn., namely: James F. B. Meikle, for the coming year.

Yours in YDVA

Sheldon Goodwin, *Adjutant*

DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT

Commander: Albert E. Lindgren, 1007 Campbell Ave., West Haven, Conn.
Secretary: H. Leroy Woodcock, 94 Elmwood Ave., Waterbury, Conn.

BRISTOL MONT SEC CHAPTER

Commander: Samuel Strupp
Bristol, Connecticut

Secretary: George C. Graham
22 High St., Bristol, Conn.

At our May Meeting our State Dept. Commander, James Meikel installed the incoming officers for 1954-55. The new officers are Commander Sam Strupp; S.V.C. Charles Goudreault; J.V.C. Al Block; Secy. George Graham; Treasurer William Thompson; Historan, Clarence Smith; Sgt-at-Arms, Clyde Brooks; Chaplain, Karl Chase; Trustees, John Wyscemaski, Clyde Brooks, K. Chase, C. Smith, W. Thompson, Joe Parent, A. Brook, C. Goudreault, S. Strupp.

We were pleased to see Clyde Brooks at our meeting after a spell at the hospital.

Mont Sec is going all out to back Jim Meikel in his campaign for National Commander. How about it folks, give Conn. a boost and let us have a Conn. man in the lead.

The committee in charge of refreshments were in charge of the ever faithful Bristol Elks and we sure enjoyed a nice buffet lunch. Thanks for a grand time.

Joe Parent, *Secy., Pro tem*

HARTFORD CHAPTER

Commander: Arthur J. Evans
95 Jordan Lane, Wethersfield, Conn.

Secretary: Carroll B. Case
23 Harvard St., Hartford 10, Conn.

The year just past, according to all reports, turned out to be a successful year for the Hartford Chapter under Commander Case. Besides our Annual Banquet held each year in February for members only, we started the year with a good installation dinner and party. In the fall, we held a Hallowe'en party for our families and friends. In addition to these Chapter affairs, there were several smaller parties given by the officers of the Chapter at their homes for members of the various committees.

On May 14, our new Commander, Arthur J. Evans, was installed. We gave a dinner and party for him which was the largest affair in recent years given by the Chapter. One hundred and ten comrades and their friends and families were present. There was a choice on the menu between broiled chicken or brook trout with half of grapefruit, baked potato, green vegetables, rolls, ice cream roll and coffee. Dancing followed the installation ceremonies. Music was furnished by Pete Granger's 'Old Timers' of Windsor. Past National Commander Benjamin Bourne was the installing officer, assisted by Past National Sgt-at-Arms Harry T. Robertson. Ernest Tetreault, Dept. Commander of Massachusetts was in attendance and represented National Commander, Mike O'Connor. Retiring Commander Case was presented a Past Commander's Button by PNC. Bourne.

At the Annual Military Day held at the University of Connecticut, on May 20, the Department of Connecticut was represented by two of our Past Commanders, Howard W. Titus and Samuel Tubin. A very impressive ceremony was held at this time when commissions in the ROTC are awarded.

The Chapter held its annual Memorial service for its departed members on Wednesday evening, May 26, at Soldiers' Field, Wilson. Commander Evans asked Rev. Leo Maynard of St. Gertrude's Church to deliver the memorial address. There was a large attendance at this service.

At the installation dinner, there was almost one hundred percent attendance of the surviving members of Co. K, 102nd Infantry, still living in the metropolitan Hartford area to honor their old Buddy and new Commander Art Evans. Heading the list was the company's Commander, Col. Clarence C. Scarborough. Also present were William Williamson, Arthur M. Beebe, Walter A. Barcomb, George D. Burns, Adam Karpan, Arthur R. Benny, William P. Murray, Ralph W. Quigley, Joseph J. Casey, and past commander Case—a reunion of K members. It is rather unusual to have the outgoing and incoming commanders both serve in the same unit in WW-I.

The Chapter will not meet during July and August, but will be ready to continue its activities after the first Thursday in September.

WINDHAM COUNTY CHAPTER

Commander: Euclid Pimpare
466 Pleasant St., Willimantic, Conn.

Secretary: Gardiner Hall
South Willington, Conn.

Another Convention has come and gone and this party feels that Boston did a fine job putting it on. It's what you make it and if you didn't have an enjoyable time, it's your own fault Mister.

YD-wise down in this neck of the woods, things are pretty quiet. The Local Chapter is shut down through the summer months and won't be open for Business until September. Five members attended the Convention — O'Neil, Delaney, Cohen, Hall and Moshier.

Walter (Dip) Mather a long-time member of this Chapter, died on June 9, at Vets' Hospital, Newington. Dip was 57 years of age. He served as a Sergeant in Company "K", 102nd Inf. A swell guy with a big smile and a heart of gold, his many friends will miss him. He was

buried with full Military Honors. His bearers were all Co. "K" men those close to his heart. The Local Chapter held brief Services at the Funeral home augmented by several Co. K boys from Hartford. Our deepest sympathies to his Family.

Your Secretary came out of the Hospital on June 10, after a check-up. Nothing serious, but old age is creeping up. On a Diet boys, so please don't ask me to have a beer. I can sniff that's all.

An outing will be held at Grays' on Sunday, July 11. As usual this will be a good time for all.

Oh yes, we have a new member, one Jerome Stepner of Norwich. Welcome home, son. YD can use you and you can feel mighty proud of yourself. Now go out and get a few more of the younger men. It's going to be up to you to carry on. Nelson Wraight discovered Jerome—ask Nelson what he thinks of YD.

Our Installation was held at my home, Sunday, May 23, and a good time was had by all. Our new Commander, Mike Aldi from Norwich is the last of the old-timers to take over. After him, well, where do we go. Senior Vice is Tom Delaney a former Chapter Commander. Secy. as usual, myself and of course our Treas., who can handle the funds better than many a Banker—Moshier is again serving in this capacity. Doc Keating is serving as Chaplain and Historian. Sgt.-at-Arms is our likeable Bob Hall, and Trustees are Pimpare and Gray.

Our re-ups now number 24, a little better than half of last year's. You boys better get your dues in or no more "Doings".

Meetings from here on will be held in the Homes of the various members. Will make for better and closer harmony and friendships.

Have a good summer, boys.

G. H. Hall, *Secy.*

DEPARTMENT OF RHODE ISLAND

Commander: Fred J. Grandchamp, 61 Leading St., Providence, R. I.
Secretary: Wilfred M. Bresette, 84 Lexington Av., Providence 7, R. I.

The Dept. of Rhode Island State meeting was called to order by Commander Guy M. Kittredge, May 3, 1954 at 9:10 P.M., at the Driftwood Restaurant, Pawtuxet, R. I.

The main purpose of this meeting was to install a slate of recently-elected candidates to office in the Dept. of Rhode Island.

The elected officers for the year 1954-1955 are as follows:

Commander, Fred Grandchamp, Providence Chapter; Sr. Vice Commander, Walter J. Misewics, Apremont Chapter; Jr. Vice Commander, Edward J. Godin, Apremont Chapter; Chaplain, Edward N. Story, Providence Chapter; Secretary, Wilfred M. Bresette, Providence Chapter; Historian, Herbert H. Murray, Apremont Chapter; Trustee (3-yrs.) P.D.C. Guy M. Kittredge, Providence.

We were honored by the presence of Comrade and Mrs. James F. Meikle, of Connecticut, who spoke in interest of his probable nomination to the office of National Commander. His remarks were well received and on departing he carried the good wishes of those present.

The "HIGH LIGHT" of the evening was the acceptance of an invitation to Dr. William J. Sullivan, Manager of the Davis Park unit of the U. S. Veterans Administration Hospital, Providence, R. I., to speak to this body on questions pertaining to the veteran and his care when ill and admitted to a U.S.V.A. Hospital. Dr. Sullivan entertained a question period and without exception, all present profited by his remarks.

Many thanks to the Providence Chapter, the Host for this Joint Installation of State, Apremont and Providence Chapter Officers for the year 1954-1955.

Respectfully submitted,

Wilfred M. Bresette
Secy. Dept. of R. I.

PROVIDENCE CHAPTER

Commander: Frank P. Cannao
326 Sharon St., Providence, R. I.

Secretary: Guy M. Kittredge
107 Lexington Ave., Providence 7, R. I.

Providence Chapter held it's first meeting in June under our new Commander Frank P. Cannao, and there were 24 members present. No meetings in July and August, but we are planning to have a large turn-out for our new Commander at the Sept. 13th meeting.

Providence lost a good YD man when Frank McCaffrey passed away so suddenly. The chapter dutifully paid their respects. Bearers were all Past Commanders of YD Post 26, American Legion—Edwin Story, Fred Grandchamp, Guy M. Kittredge, Joseph Taci, Everett Holland and Walter Wallinger. Assisting at burial was Commander of Providence Chapter Y.D.V.A., Frank Cannao. Frank McCaffrey was a member of "B" Battery 103rd Field Artillery. Providence also lost a staunch supporter the past month, Mrs. Roy Simpson. We shall miss Anna at our parties.

About 35 members of Providence Chapter enjoyed an outing at Larry Cook's camp, Johnson's Pond on July 24th. A wonderful day had by all. Mrs. Vickery and Mrs. Grandchamp became sailors for about an hour although they preferred to stay on dry land. The ladies had a softball team conisisting of Mrs. Eric Lee, catcher; Jane Story, pitcher; Mrs. Bob Eley, 1st base; Mrs. James Salafia, 2nd base; Mrs. Jack Kelley, assistant 2nd base; Mrs. Erving Lee, shortstop; Mrs. Pacquin, 3rd base; Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Fenner, Mrs. Olson, Mrs. Dyson, Mrs. Kittredge and Mrs. Cook all played the outfield. Mrs. Bodette coached at 1st, and Mrs. Bob Murray coached at

3rd. Dot Petroski relief pitcher. Ralph Whitman and Willard Pierce umpires.

Providence Chapter wishes to thank Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cook for their generous hospitality on the outing held at their camp.

We are all looking forward to going to the Dedication at CATHEDRAL OF THE PINES, on October 3rd. Expecting all to go by bus.

Don't forget your Dues for this great outfit.

Mail them to your secretary right now.

Yours in YD Comradeship,

Guy M. Kittredge, *Secy.-Treas.*

DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

Commander: Weldon J. Melanson, 15 Weldon St., Sanford, Maine

ANDROSCOGGIN VALLEY CHAPTER

Commander: Harold Howard
31 Spring St., Auburn

Secretary: Norman S. Thomas
150 Sabbattus St., Lewiston, Maine

Harold Howard, 31 Spring St., Auburn, was last night elected commander of the Androscoggin Valley Chapter of the Yankee Division Veterans Association, with Frank Jackson, Young's Corner, senior vice commander and nominations for the office of junior vice-commander were tabled until the July 1 meeting. Jesse C. Farnum, Lewiston, was re-elected treasurer; Norman S. Thomas, Lewiston, as secretary; Joseph Cychol, East Auburn, chaplain; Michael F. O'Brien, Lewiston, sergeant-at-arms; Eugene A. Beaudoin and Isadore Fogel, both of Lewiston, were re-elected trustees and retiring Commander Thomas Edgard Hudson was named to the third position. Richard H. Woodbury, Auburn, a past commander was elected historian.

Henry Moore, recent Lewiston resident, past commander of the New York City Chapter was a guest.

The vote was taken to combine the AVCYDVA annual outing with the 101st Trench Mortar Battery reunion at Joe Cychol's home at East Auburn, as was done last year.

DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT

Commander: Enoch Lyman, RFD 3, Montpelier, Vermont

RUTLAND CHAPTER

Commander: George F. Richardson
63 Pleasant St., Ludlow, Vt.

Secretary: Harold E. Stoddard
41 High St., Ludlow, Vt.

The May meeting of the Rutland Vt., Chapter, YDVA was held at Ye Olde Cheese Factory in Shrewsbury, Vt., May 19 with Commander Bill Ginn as host.

Fourteen members were present and seven signed up at this meeting. It was voted to send Charlie Gleason as our delegate to the National Convention at Boston in June, uninstructed as how to vote on National Officers.

Our June meeting is to be held in Belmont, Vt., with E. L. Deveraux as host.

Harold Stoddard, *Secy.*

DEPARTMENT OF THE EAST

Commander: Francis J. Gallagher, 105 Jarth Road, Oreland, Penn.
Secretary: Karl G. Ley, Jr., 1017 So. Frazier St., Philadelphia, Penn.

NEW YORK

Commander: Edmund C. Polakowski
86-09 57th Road, Elmhurst 73, N. Y.
Secretary: George H. Richmond
6702 Ridge Blvd., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Hi, everyone. I hope you all had a very enjoyable vacation and are fully rested and recuperated. Comes September, and we resmue our regular monthly meetings on the second Thursday of every month at the Hotel Woodstock. All visitors are always welcome. So do drop around.

You know, these YD Conventions are really something. You should try to attend at least one, if you never did before. You really get your money's worth. As far as this last convention goes, Boston Chapter deserves a great deal of credit for the work they did in making it the success it was.

The clam bake was one of the best I ever enjoyed. If anyone went away hungry, he should go see a physician. Just listen to this: lobsters, clams, corn on cob, melted butter, baked haddock, brown bread, watermelon, coffee, beer till it came out your ears. One look at the tables could tell whether or not all this food was enjoyed.

New York Chapter if I am not mistaken, had a record representation at this convention. Among the New York Chapter notables present were Doc Surls and Bob Dickson. I don't think they ever miss. You can always count on the four steadies—Carl Pelander, Ed Writer, Ralph Nevin and Jack Farquhar. I caught a glimpse of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown. Very much present were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moore. Our beloved Chaplain, Bob Daley (I hope I spelled his last name right), could not afford to stay away from this one. Then there was Zamarra whom I have not seen for some time. Thaddeus Kelly, who because of his job, cannot attend our meetings, was sure to be present. Thanks, Ted, for being so thoughtful and concerned about my Mrs. and two kids. You sure were of great help. I must not forget Mike Justynowicz who flew up after closing his butcher shop on Saturday, just to be with the boys once again. Please forgive me if I left anyone out. I'll be sure to mention it next time.

Regards to all,

George Richmond
Secretary

Ed Polakowski
Commander

DEPARTMENT OF THE MIDDLE WEST

Commander: Edmund D. O'Connell, 7919 So. Union Ave., Chicago, Ill.

DETROIT

Commander: John Matthews, Jr.
3031 Hillger St., Detroit 14, Mich.

Secretary: Palmer Werner
7638 12th, Detroit 6, Mich.

We had our first meeting, since the one you came to, June 4, at my new Studio. Only six fellows showed up so most of the fellows feel we should now only have occasional social meetings since in the past year and a half only a handful of members and former YDers ever show for meetings. We had a card game going plus cheese and crackers and beer. I am enclosing the dues for nine fellows, so see that they get their YD Doings. Meeting broke up early in the morning—was a long card game.

Sincerely,

Palmer Werner

NATIONAL YD AUXILIARY

National President: Irene Melville, 332 Bunker Hill St., Charlestown, Mass.
National Secretary: Marie McDonald, 25 Mead St., Charlestown, Mass.

HAVERHILL YDVA AUXILIARY

President: Florence Tarleton
19 Highland Ave., Haverhill, Mass.

Secretary: Carrie E. Rowell
11 Henry St., Haverhill, Mass.

Vacation time is here and hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful weather we are having.

Everything at present is at a standstill, hope to be able to have more at the next writing.

We of the Haverhill Auxiliary want to thank all for the support in electing our President, Florence Tarleton, Your National President. We know she is going to try and do her best, but will need help from each and everyone to help her carry on.

I would like to personally congratulate Past National President, Irene Melville in the way she conducted her meetings, especially the Convention.

Would like to thank all who sent cards to my husband while he was laid up with a fracture of the knee. Also cards sent me on the death of my son. Happy vacationing and best of luck to all new National Officers.

Carrie E. Rowell,
Aux. Secy.-Treas.

MAJ. GEN. CLARENCE R. EDWARDS CHAPTER AUXILIARY

President: Ellowean Anderson
139 Concord Way, Portsmouth, N. H.

Secretary: Laurice J. Harmon
116 Whipple Road, Kittery, Maine

The regular meeting of the Auxiliary was held May 7, and Ellowean Anderson our new president presiding.

The Auxiliary attended Memorial Service at St. Catherine's Church on May 23rd.

Also our president and several members attend all the school sessions which were nice and also the exercises held at Pierce Island Bridge, where flowers are tossed over in memory of all our war dead.

Also we rode in the Memorial Day Parade.

We will hold a Beano Party at the Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, N. H. on October 20. The men will also attend.

Our next meeting was held June 4th.

We will hold a picnic on August 14th at Hilton Park next. Fireplaces are available and the grounds are wonderful. All Auxiliaries are invited. Bring your own lunch and have a wonderful day.

A Penny Sale was held.

Mrs. Martel of So. Berwick sent down a beautiful cake which we sold chances on and we got a good sum. Many thanks, Mrs. Martel.

It was voted to suspend our July and August meeting.

See you all at Convention.

Laurice J. Harmon, *Secy.*

MANCHESTER CHAPTER YDVA AUXILIARY

President: Malena Byron
156 Sagamore St., Manchester, N. H.

Secretary: Eva L. Brown
747 Hanover St., Manchester, N. H.

Our YDVA Dept. of N. H., Auxilary held a joint installation on May 2, at the Community Center, Portsmouth, N. H.

Irene Melville, National President, was assisted by Lillian McGonagle, her National Sergeant-at-Arms at the installation of the following officers.

President, Malena Byron; Sr. Vice, Mabel Ross; Jr. Vice, Antoinette Morton; Secretary, Eva L. Brown; Treasurer, Ellowean Anderson; Historian, Eva L. Brown; Chaplain, Eunice Weaver; Trustees, Clarel Lovejoy, Helen Walsh.

Our President, Malena Byron greeted us with a warm welcome.

We were glad to have with us the following: Past National President Betty Fallon; Past Department President of N. H., Ellowean Anderson, also Past Department of Massachusetts President, Katherine Reimer.

To Past Dept. of N. H., President, Clarel Lovejoy, we are grateful for a pleasant and successful year.

After the installation we enjoyed a splendid supper.

The next meeting of the Dept. of N. H., YDVA Auxiliary will be held June 13, at Legion Post 79, Manchester, N. H.

Eva L. Brown
Dept. Secy.

YDVA AUXILIARY OF PHILADELPHIA

President: Jean Ross
Ardsley Road, Philadelphia
Secretary: Dorothy Raver
2439 Ardsley Avenue, Glenside, Pa.

On Saturday night, June 21, the Philadelphia Chapter was honored by the presence of our Past National President, Irene Melville. Irene made a special trip to Philadelphia, just to visit our Auxiliary. We want everyone to know, and especially Irene, just how much we appreciate her kindness and thoughtfulness.

Our own Betty Corrigan acted as hostess and she certainly did a wonderful job. Many thanks to Betty.

Irene assisted us with some of our problems. After much discussion about the coming Convention, and Auxiliary business, everyone had a good time together. Our thanks again, Irene, for coming to visit with us. We were all very pleased and happy that you could make the trip. Good luck to you as Judge Advocate in the coming year.

Just a few thousand words about the Boston Convention: Representing Philadelphia's Charles F. Frazier Chapter were six men—Art Raver, Lou DePaul, Lou Wintner, Frank Gallagher, George Linthicum and "Boston"-as-ever-Kelly. Representing our Auxiliary were Kay Gallagher, Peg Kelly and Dorothy Raver. Needless to say, we all had a wonderful time and enjoyed every confused and hectic minute of it. The Philadelphia guys and gals will know what I mean by that, I'm sure. For some of us, myself included, it was our first real New England clam bake. The hundreds of clam and lobster-eaters ate everything in sight except the seaweed. Had the affair lasted an hour longer, I'd have expected to see some dip even that in melted butter and proclaim it the most delicious seafood discovery of the 20th Century—sort of the "Bread from the Sea" idea. As it was, everyone was filled to the "gils" with thousands (so it seemed to me) of steamed clams, hundred of lobsters, corn-in-the-husk, fish, onions, beer, coffee, sweet potatoes, Boston Brown Bread, and to top it all off—watermelon. It was the most colorful array of garbage left on any table I ever saw—I'm not referring to our YD comrades either.

Our meetings will resume (after July and August) in September when we expect to have as our guests of honor Mr. and Mrs. Melville and Mabel Ross. The welcome sign is always hung out for all of you YD-ers here in Philadelphia. The scene will be set at the Schork's fine brown-stone home in the country (country to us in Phila. and suburbs, that is) in Westpoint, Pa.

Our heartiest congratulations to you, Frank Gallagher, as our new Dept. of the East Commander. We are proud of you, and wish you luck during the coming year. Congratulations too to all our newly-elected National officers.

We wish to send "back-at-home-again" greetings to all those old and new friends we met at the Convention. Hope we meet again next year—where?—it really doesn't matter does it, as long as we meet again.

Yours in YD,
Dorothy M. Raver, *Secy.*

103rd U. S. INFANTRY VETERANS ASSOCIATION

Third Annual Reunion

The Third Annual Reunion of the 103rd U. S. Infantry Veterans Association was held in Augusta, Maine, Saturday and Sunday, May 8 and 9, 1954, with Registrations starting early Saturday morning at the Fitzgerald-Cummings Post of the American Legion. Headquarters was the Augusta House. The Rendezvous of all the boys.

A business meeting of the organization was held in the afternoon in the new state armory on Western Avenue, Augusta, starting at 2 P. M. The meeting was called to order by the retiring President, General William E. Southard. The general order of business was taken up at this time. It was voted by the body at this meeting to start the Women's Auxiliary going as soon as possible and to be known as the 103rd U. S. Infantry Veterans' Association Auxiliary. It was also acted upon by the body to start the dues for 1956 beginning with the calender year January 1, 1956. The regular order of business was suspended to carry out the election of officers for the ensuing year. Officers elected are as follows:

President: Thomas J. Quirk, Manchester, N. H.; Vice Presidents, James H. Sullivan, Allston, Mass.; Robert A. McReynolds, Adams, Mass.; Raymond O. Torrey, Bangor,

Maine; Ralph Caldwell, Eastport, Maine; George H. Savage, Waltham, Mass.; Secretary, Walter M. Jones, Somerville, Mass.; Treasurer, Harold F. Stone, Manchester, N. H.; Sgt.-at-Arms, Frank S. Bogle, Boston, Mass.; Publicity Officer, Thomas P. Kane, Brewer, Maine; Trustees: Gen. William E. Southard, Bangor, Maine; Oscar Hering, Manchester, N. H.; Ernest C. Melendy, Franklin, N. H.; Eliot Carter, Nashua, N. H.

That evening 300 members and their families attended the Annual Banquet in the Main Dining Room of the Augusta House. Followed by music and entertainment. George M. Carter, Adjutant General for the State of Maine was the Master of Ceremonies. Richard E. Brann was the General Chairman of the Reunion and did a magnificent job. The highlights of the next day was the big parade on Sunday that had to be called off on account of bad weather conditions. The Memorial Services was held in the New State Armory starting at 3 o'clock. Music was furnished by the 103rd Infantry Band. All these exercises were held under the able direction of General Malcolm L. Stoddard. All the members of the 103rd U. S. Infantry Veterans' Association wish to congratulate the Reunion Committee at Augusta, Maine, for the wonderful job they had done, a shining example for other reunion committees to follow for years to come. They are tops.

Walter M. Jones,
National Secretary

"E" COMPANY ECHOES

Late in April or early in May, JERRY KINSMAN sent in a clipping from "The Reporter" of North Conway, N. H., announcing that BILL PLUMMER of East Conway, N. H. (that must be another name for Fryeburg, Maine) was the local winner in the 1953-54 nation-wide contest sponsored by the National Grange and the American Plant Food Council on the subject "Building Fertility to Cut Farm Costs." . . . Of course it might have been another BILL PLUMMER but JERRY thought it was our BILL.

There was a deficit, it seems, on the Regimental Reunion at the University Club and FRED CAMPBELL went above and beyond the call of duty by paying the "E" Co. share of $14 . . . The Company "kitty" could stand that but FRED would not listen to that . . . He reported that, by a very happy coincidence, on the day he was celebrating his 40th anniversary with John Hancock, he had a surprise visit from BILL KEARNS who was up there "pointing up" the stones high upon that very high John Hancock building . . . FRED thought that was pretty rugged work for an old soldier who is supposed to be "fading away" . . . It seemed tougher than building a wall over in la Belle France! . . . BILL really belongs in the John Hancock family as he's the father of an ex-employee and of a son in their Cambridge office . . . Later on FRED sent in an excellent picture of them both taken in front of his desk which was decorated with flowers that day—very appropriate for that anniversary and the unexpected reunion! . . . They both look swell in the picture, by the way.

Received a card from MAURY CORKERY from Washington, D. C. in May . . . Later he sent a memo he'd written on a Hotel Statler envelope in Washington, saying he'd seen the 15 ft. statue of Major John Greenway in uniform, helmet and all, in the National Statuary Hall . . . The Major was listed as a copper miner and soldier from Arizona, but the soldier part, of course was when he was a Yankee . . . His statue was in good company—right next to that of the great Daniel Webster.

We noticed in the "Boston Traveler" on May 28th, a picture of a group of men working on the safety angle of that paper's annual Soap Box Derby and in the front row was RALPH HAWKINS . . . JIM CHISHOLM had some serious heart trouble and was in the Quigley Memorial Veterans' Hospital, Chelsea, Mass., from April 20th to June 8th on the danger list for quite a while . . . He was feeling better but had to take it easy for some time, so had to pass up reunions, etc . . . OLLIE THOMAS, 1652 F. St., Sparks, Nevada, wrote us a nice letter about "Echoes" and sent his best wishes to all the old gang . . . HARRY SPROUL wrote us a nice letter on June 16th . . . HARRY has shaken the dust of Brookline, Mass., off his hobnails, and moved to greener pastures up in Greenfield, Mass., 274 Shelburne Road, but expects to join us at our future reunions.

Ye Ed. couldn't attend the June 19th "E-F" party during the YD Convention but MAURY CORKERY very thoughtfully reported that the following "E" men were present to enjoy the good eats and fun: BILL KEARNS, HERBIE WEEKS, JAKE STAHL, RALPH THOMAS, "SPARROW" HOUGHTON, FRANK VIGON, "DUTCH" GREIM, ROLAND KITFIELD and himself, of course . . . JACK ILLINGWORTH, the pride of the Braintree, Mass. Police Department, showed up but couldn't stay for dinner . . . JOHN MALLON of Pawtucket, R. I., was busy as a delegate to the Convention but showed up before the party broke up . . . Incidentally, an old buddy of mine in militia days and later in 101st Genies, Jim Meikle, was elected Commander of the YDVA at the Convention . . . During the War he was in "B" Co. of the Light Duty Battalion!

I'm on vacation now, and if there are any typographical errors when you get "Echoes" don't blame that good Fac-simile Letter Co. which gets out the finished product—blame by faulty penmanship . . . While down here I ran into TOMMY WIGGIN and his wife while foraging in a First National Store in Dennisport on the Cape . . . TOMMY was looking snappy as usual, and still "gives" with that cheery greeting of his . . . He reported he's kept pretty busy travelling and selling . . . Also, a letter from BILL PLUMMER was forwarded to me here . . . He sent greetings to all . . . FRANK MacKENNA retires from the State Street Trust Company in July this year under our Pension Plan but will undoubtedly keep busy in his home town of Wayland, Mass.

THIS IS THE LAST ISSUE OF "DOINGS" YOU WILL RECEIVE IF YOUR DUES ARE NOT PAID TO JULY 1st, 1955

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FRANK NUTILE, formerly with CO 'L', 104 Inf. WW-I, died during June, 1954 at Fitchburg, Mass. Detail from the Fitchburg Chapter attended the services.

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THOMAS J. REID, formerly with Bty 'F', 101 F. A., WW-1, died at a hospital in Boston on July 2, 1954. He was a member of the Beverly Chapter YDVA and funeral services were at Beverly Mass. Services was largely attended by former members of Bty F and the Beverly Chapter.

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JOHN F. SMART, formerly with the Supply Co 102 F. A., WW-1, died at the Chelsea Soldiers Home Hospital June 3, 1954 after a long illness. He was a former member of the Haverhill Chapter. Burial was in Haverhill Mass.

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ALFRED G. DEVOID, formerly with Co 'B', 102 MG Bn., WW-1, died in Burlington, Vermont June 28, 1954.

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FRANK COLLINS, formerly with Co 'E', 101 Inf., WW-1, died July 5, 1954 at the Veterans Hospital Boston.

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BENJAMIN JAMES, formerly with Bty 'A', 101 F. A., WW-1, died suddenly at the Veterans Hospital, Boston. He was the second National President of the YD Veterans Association and also Past President of the YD Club of Boston. Services were held at the Storey Chapel of the Mount Auburn Cemetery and was well attended by YD members and the Shrine Patrol of which he was Secretary.

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EDWARD McGILLICUDDY, formerly with Co 'E', 101 Supply Train, WW-1, died June 21, 1954.

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FRANCIS A. UZZO, former Lieut. with Hqrs. Co., 328th Inf., was killed in Korea, Feb. 12, 1951. His former home was in Clayton, N. J. He was a former member of the Philadelphia Chapter.

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ARTHUR J. MIRLEY, formerly with Hqrs. Co., 104 Inf., WW-1, died April 14, 1954 at Roxbury, Mass.

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STANLEY J. GRZWACZ, formerly with Co 'K', 104 Inf., WW-1, died in Central Falls, R. I., recently.

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ALBERT S. LANE, formerly with Co 'K', 101 Inf., WW-1, died May 14, 1954.

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EDWARD McKERNAN, formerly with Co 'I', 103 Inf., WW-1, died at Lynn, Mass., during April, 1954.

RAYMOND D. CARLISLE, died May 18, 1954 at White River Jct., Vt. He served with the 103 Inf., WW-1.

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EDWARD LAMPHIER, formely with Co 'A', 103 Inf., WW-1 died after a long illness, May 18, 1954. He was a member of the Boston Chapter YDVA and lived in Mattapan, Mass.

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JULES W. LECOMTE, formerly with Co 'E', 101 Inf., WW-1, died May 27, 1954.

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CHARLES J. KELLEY, formerly with Co 'H', 101 Inf., WW-1, died April 7, 1954 at Braintree, Mass.

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RALPH H. RUSSELL, formerly with Hqrs., 102 F. A. WW-1, died May 23, 1954. He was a member of the Lynn Chapter YDVA. Members of the Chapter attended.

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NORMAN L. TAYLOR, formerly with Co 'D', 101 F. A., WW-1, died May 23, 1954 at the Veterans Hospital, Boston. Mass. He was a member of the YD Club of Boston. His home was in Quincy, Mass.

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MATTHEW C. KOKOSZKA, formerly with Co 'I', 102 Inf., died in 1948. He was a former member of the New Britain Chapter YDVA.

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IRVING L. MARSH, formerly with Co 'A', 101 Eng., WW-1, died at Westboro, Mass., May 3, 1953. He was a former member of the Boston and Worcester Chapters.

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THOMAS SANDERS, formerly with Bty 'E', 101 F. A., WW-1, died at Salem, Mass., May 20, 1954. He was a member of the Lynn Chapter.

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WILLIAM EWEN, 101st M.P.'s WW-1, died recently. His home was in Leominster, Mass., and a member of the Fitchburg Chapter.

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WILLIAM H. HINCHCLIFFE, formerly with Co 'A', 103 MG Bn., WW-1, died Jan. 26, 1954 at Fall River, Mass.

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WALTER R. HALL, formerly with Co 'B', 101 MG Bn., WW-1, died April 9, 1953. He was a member of the Manchester Conn., Chapter.

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AUBREY F. McDONALD, formerly with Hdqrs. Co., died suddenly June 26, 1954.

ALBERT PAQUETTE, formerly with Supply Co 102 Inff., WW-1, died Sept. 3, 1950. He was a former member of the Fitchburg Chapter and his home was in Leominster, Mass.

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MAJOR GENERAL WILLIAM I. ROSE, 101st Inf., WW-I, former Adj. Gen. Comm. of Mass., Commanding Geeneral Task Force of 6,000 men who left Camp Edwards in Jan. 1942 and went to South Pacific to form the American Division died suddenly June 9, 1954. Services and burial was at Worcester Mass., attended by hundreds of foormer service men who served with him.

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JAMES W. FOY formerly with med. Det., 103 F. A., WW-1, died at Dorchester, Mass., June 14, 1954. He was a member of the YD Club of Boston.

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ANTHONY SARDINA, formerly of Co 'H', 101 Inf., WW-1, died at the Veterans Hospital, Boston, Mass., June 19, 1954.

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ADELARD DOUCETTE, formerly with Bty 'A', 102 F. A., WW-1, died at Veterans Hospital, Boston. His home was in Haverhill, Mass.

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WILSON CROCKER, formerly with Co 'F', 104 Inf., WW-1, died May 14, 1954. His former home was in Haverhill, Mass.

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JAMES O'TOOLE, formerly with Co 'A', 101 Inf., died recently.

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JOHN S. LIPTACK, formerly with Co 'A', 104 Inf., WW-1, died at Cleveland, Ohio.

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JOHN J. CURTIN, formerly with Hqrs. Co 102 Inf., WW-1, died at Hartford Conn., during June, 1954. He was a member of the Hartford Chapter.

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JOHN J. BURKE, formerly with Co 'B', 101 Ammunition Train died June 17, 1954 at Northampton, Mass.

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VINCENT H. TYLER, formerly with Co 'I', 104 Inf., WW-I, died July 15, 1954 at Northampton, Mass. He was a member of the local Chapter.

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CHESTER H. GRANT, formerly with Hdqrs. Co., 104 Inf., WW-I, died suddenly July 23, 1954. He was Secretary of the Gloucester Chapter YD and a Past Commander of the State Dept. of Mass., of the American Legion, also Past Commander of the Gloucester Post A. L.

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STUART FERGUSON, formerly of the MG Co., 101 Inf.,WW-I, died at Brookline, Mass. August 26, 1954.

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MAJOR GENERAL BERNICE McFADYEN, died in Leghorn, Italy on Nov. 23, 1954. Gen. McFadyen served as Chief of Staff of the 26th Division during World War II. He was still in active service and was detailed to the American Forces in Italy about a year ago, after serving in Washington for several years.

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JAMES J. SMYTH, 101st Inf., WW-I, died at Quincy, Mass., April 13, 1954.

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JOHN J. LANE, formerly with Battery 'B', 101 F. A., WW-I, died July 18, 1954 at Brookline, Mass.

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ROY A. LADNER, formerly with Co 'F', 101 Eng., WW I, died at Bangor, Maine, June 13, 1953.

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HAROLD S. BANDURA, formerly of Co 'K', 101 Inf., WW-I, died suddenly August 26, 1954. He was a member of the YD Club of Boston. Burial was at Cohasset, Mass.

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HENRY R. ANDERSON, formerly with Co 'C', 104 Inf., WW-I, died at the Vets Hospital, West Roxbury, Mass., July 27, 1954. He was a member of the Worcester Chapter. Burial was at Worcester.

CORRECTION: In the May-June issue of Doings it was reported that Walter J. Monoghan, C Co., 101 Inf., had passed away. Word has been received that he is very much alive and living on Cape Cod.

101st INFANTRY CONVENTION

The 101st Infantry Veterans Association will hold the 35th Annual Convention at the YD Club of Boston on Sept. 10, 11 and 12, 1954.

Registrations all day Friday the 10th and Saturday the 11th. Dancing and entertainment Friday evening. Meeting and election of Officers will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday afternoon. Banquet at 6:30 Saturday. Floor show and entertainment following the Banquet. Memorial Service at St. Cecilia's at 10:00 a.m. Sunday for our departed comrades.

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